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About 500 grade six, seven and eight students of Jewish schools take part in a sit-in outside the Soviet consulate in Montreal to show their support for the children of Soviet Jewish Refuseniks. Their demonstration, organized by the Montreal Group of 35, coincided with International Children's Day. The children left petitions and letters from concerned individuals in a wheelbarrow outside consulate gates.

Opposition mounts to boycott position

[Staff] —

The Canadian government's position on the Arab boycott is being met with increasing opposition from Jewish organizations, including the Canada-Israel Committee and Israel action groups in both Quebec and Ontario.

Much of the recent criticism centres on an address given by Prime Minister Trudeau at a Toronto UJA dinner, which gave little indication that Ottawa was prepared to introduce legislation to counter trade discrimination.

In Montreal, a newly-formed Israel Actions Committee — under the auspices of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Eastern Region — reacted swiftly to Trudeau's statement, sending the prime minister a telegram.

Signed by CZF Eastern Region Chairman Joel Wolfe, it said a decision had been reached to "campaign during the next few months to communicate to you the fact that discrimination against Jews is unacceptable to the Canadian Jewish community and all men of goodwill . . ."

Meanwhile, in Toronto, Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region's Community Action Committee for Israel is developing a campaign to inform members of Parliament of its unhappiness with government policy.

Following the tabling in the House of Commons, May 30, of the government's second, semi-annual report on the implementation of its boycott policy, the CIC announced that it would beef up its lobbying program in Ottawa for a tougher anti-boycott line.

Provoked by the Trudeau address, the committee issued a press release from its Ottawa office stating: "In his brief remarks about this problem, the prime minister argued that only Canada and the United States have taken strong stands on this issue.

"He neglected the fact that the United States has taken a substantially stronger position on the issue through the implementation of two major pieces of legislation — the Tax Reform Act of 1976 and the Export Administration Act of 1977. This American legislation affects all American companies on a comprehensive and equal basis."

The new Eastern Region Israel Actions Committee, temporarily chaired by Wolfe, will establish between one and three offices, most likely storefronts, in the Mount Royal riding of Montreal.

The committee is concentrating on this riding, which encompasses Cote St. Luc, Hampstead and Town of Mount Royal, because of its large Jewish population and because it is the constituency that Trudeau represents in Parliament.

The anti-Arab boycott coordinating centres will be manned by volunteers who will organize a door-to-door campaign to collect signatures for petitions they will send to the government.

Jews 'lack guts' to defend Israel

By HARVEY WARREN

TORONTO —

Too many Jews "don't have the guts it takes" to defend Israel, the president of Bar-Ilan University said in an interview last week.

Rabbi Emanuel Rackman suggested that public condemnation by American Jews of Israel's response to Anwar Sadat's peace initiative is nothing short of cowardice.

He compared the attitude of American Jewry today with that of British Jewry during the Mandate. Before the creation of the Jewish state, "British soldiers were being killed by Israelis," he explained.

The situation in the Middle East then was much more sensitive and embarrassing than that now faced by the U.S. Jewish community. "Yet British Jewry stood fast."

Rackman, in Toronto to bolster a fund-raising drive to finance a proposed Institute of Holocaust Studies at Bar-Ilan, levelled harsh criticism at 36 prominent Jews in the U.S. who recently signed a letter expressing solidarity with the Peace Now movement, which accuses Menachem Begin of being intransigent.

Those signatories, the former president of the Rabbinic Council of America said, "long ago would have compromised on Jerusalem, which would have been a tragedy."

Noting that Nobel prize winning novelist Saul Bellow was among those supporting the Peace Now movement, Rackman said: "A Nobel prize doesn't make him an expert on Jewish history." As an afterthought, he asked of Bellow, "where was he all these years?"

Apart from having no "guts", dissenters — particularly those who publicly challenge Israeli policy — have all the facts wrong, according to Rackman.

"Israel has proceeded with Sadat as honorably and reasonably as possible," he said. "There cannot be a Palestinian state which, in short order, would become a Russian satellite — on this there is unanimity."

The U.S. press, "bribed by petro-dollars," is unrealistic, Rackman said. "It's about time Americans woke up to the fact the struggle in the Middle East is between West and East. The dispute between Arabs and Jews is just a sideshow."

Rabbi Emanuel Rackman

Rackman, who has authored two books, **Israel's Emerging Constitution** and **One Man's Judaism**, believes the perennial question of who is a Jew is an empty debate: "The term Jew has had one meaning for 2,000 years," he said. "That is one born of a Jewish mother or one who has converted in a certain way.

"I cannot understand why the Orthodox are being considered unreasonable in this," he said.

The rabbi, who intends to stay in Israel even if he is not re-appointed as president at the conclusion of his three-year term, said he had no problems adjusting to the Israeli way of life. "I hope all new olim have as easy a time as I did," he said.

Rackman hopes to raise over $1 million on his tour of North American cities to launch the Institute of Holocaust Studies, a program of "interdisciplinary research and teacher training".

National project Chairman Leona Finkler said they plan to establish a centre for the instruction of teachers on the Holocaust to enable them to teach the subject at elementary and secondary levels, provide bursaries and scholarships for such study at Bar-Ilan, approach schools throughout the world to demonstrate the need for the subject, compile textbooks and provide donors with an opportunity to memorialize those who died in the Holocaust.

Merger between Congress, AJCS being discussed

MONTREAL [Staff] —

The possible merger of Canadian Jewish Congress, Eastern Region, and Allied Jewish Community Services is currently being discussed after a lapse of several years. CJC officers, in a meeting held on May 24, approved the concept of merger and indicated a willingness to explore the question with their counterparts at AJCS.

A report, prepared for the meeting by Leon Teitelbaum, past chairman of CJC, Eastern Region, said that changes in Quebec society in recent decades necessitated the establishment of a single, central representative organization which would develop a stronger sense of unity in the community. Additional points mentioned in favor of merger included the centralization of planning for community needs and improved ability to maximize the community's fund-raising potential and democratize its allocation.

Merger, indicated the report, would: improve administrative efficiency and the use of professional and clerical staff; centralize channels of communication with the government and the general community; mobilize community leadership and use it more effectively, and centralize community research and archives.

The report also made suggestions about interim measures to facilitate the merger as well as the composition of administrative structures should merger be agreed to. The suggested name for the new community body would be Montreal Jewish Congress.

Referring to the report in his remarks at the May 29 CJC Eastern Region executive meeting, chairman Dr. Melvyn Schwartzben stressed that only the general concept of merger had been approved. "This decision (of CJC officers) does not mean that merger will take place. It merely indicates a desire by officers to explore the possibilities of merger," he said.

At a CJC regional executive meeting on June 4, the question of merger between CJC Eastern Region and AJCS was mentioned as part of a general discussion on future policy and organization for CJC as a whole.

Steve Ain, national executive director of CJC, said in an interview following the meeting that a centralized communal structure in Montreal would facilitate the goal of restructuring Congress along lines which would make it "representative of groups of different communities, not agencies."

A centralized Jewish communal body in Montreal, he said, would become part of a pattern of similar Jewish communal structures in existence across the country, notably in Toronto and Winnipeg.

A CJC committee headed by Morley Globerman and David Satok is currently studying the question of future Congress policy and restructuring on a national level.

Conference of Reform rabbinate

Quebec to dominate meeting

TORONTO —

Because of dynamic changes in the Jewish community of Canada, as well as concern with the Jewish situation in Quebec, several sessions of the forthcoming 89th annual convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis will deal with "Jewish Life in Canada."

More than 500 Reform movement rabbis from throughout the U.S. and Canada will gather from Monday, June 26 through Thursday, June 29 at the Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel, Toronto, it was announced by Rabbi Ely E. Pilchik, of Short Hills, N.J., president of the CCAR.

Also to be discussed will be such topics as the meaning of Torah, dimensions of the Holocaust, interreligious activities, and the Reform commitment to Israel.

Regarding Jewish life in Canada, Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress and senior scholar at Holy Blossom Temple, Toronto, will deliver an address on The Jewish Situation in Quebec. At the same session, Quebec Rabbis Mark A. Golub, Edward S. Treister and Bernard Bloomstone will lead a discussion on the Jewish Situation in Quebec.

Another session involving Canadian Jewry has been titled, Can A Communal Reform Jewish Day School Really Work? — The First Community Reform Jewish Day School in North America After Four Years of Operation. Morris Sorin, director of the Leo Baeck Day School in Toronto and Rabbi Steven Garten, in-residence director of the Judaic curriculum at the school, will speak, with Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld as moderator.

In a third session on Canadian Jewry, the subject will be: Are We Threatened by an Erosion of Our Civil Liberties? with a presentation by A. Alan Borovoy, general counsel of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. Rabbis Eric Silver and Michael Stroh of Toronto will be respondents and Rabbi Donald Gerber of Winnipeg will moderate the discussion.

Rabbi Pilchik will deliver the presidential address Monday evening, June 26, at 8:30 p.m. at the Harbour Castle Hilton Hotel in Toronto. He is expected to chart the course for the CCAR in meeting the needs of the Reform movement, American and World Jewry and Israel.

Rabbi Stuart Geller, chairman of the resolutions committee, said that "since its inception in 1889, the CCAR has not hesitated to speak out on issues of the widest scope and significance, always seeking to elucidate current problems according to its interpretation of the voices of prophetic Judaism."

DMC won't quit coalition, Deputy Premier Yadin says

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Deputy Premier Yigael Yadin, leader of the Democratic Movement for Change, said that the DMC was not considering quitting Premier Menachem Begin's Likud-led coalition government because the DMC ministers were "full partners in all matters of foreign affairs and security."

Yadin and his three fellow DMC ministers appeared at a press conference to defend their party's role in the government against allegations that it had no influence in the cabinet's decision-making process.

Last week, the DMC Council voted 42-10 to approve a statement saying the party would consider leaving the coalition unless the government adopted more flexible positions in peace talks.

Appearing at the press conference with Yadin were Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir, Transport Minister Meir Amit and Yisrael Katz, minister of labor and social betterment. Each discussed his ministry's contributions and achievements. Yadin admitted, however, that his party's image was declining.

In another development, he announced that the ministerial committee for social betterment has approved a large-scale project to upgrade the housing and environment of some 45,000 disadvantaged families in Israel.

Yadin, who heads the committee, said its success was Israel's primary challenge on the social front.

Plaut reiterates demand for anti-boycott law

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, national president of Canadian Jewish Congress, repeated the exhortation he made June 5 to Prime Minister Trudeau to introduce anti-boycott legislation, at the Jewish National Fund Negev Dinner in honor of Monroe Abbey. This time, he directed his remarks to National Defense Minister Barney Danson, who was there to bring greetings from the government.

Plaut said the existing policy on international foreign boycotts is "not sufficient" and promises of "good faith from the government are no longer enough."

Effecting more stringent guidelines and legislation is not merely a question of safeguarding the interests of Israel, said Plaut, but to protect Canadian companies against intolerable business practices that would be inadmissible under most federal and provincial human rights statutes.

No further comment on the boycott was made during the evening, attended by almost 1,000 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel. Danson, whose address preceded Plaut's, confined his comments to a tribute to Abbey whom he called "a very, very special person."

Danson told Abbey's grandchildren that they must carry on the legacy of dedication to the service of others that their grandfather has given them.

Abbey's community involvement stretches back 50 years with contributions in Canada, world Jewish affairs and Israel.

President of Canadian Jewish Congress from 1968 to 1972, he is honorary president of the organization. His many other communal positions have included presidency of the Combined Jewish Appeal, director of the Hillel Foundation, director of the Canada-Israel Security Corporation, honorary vice-president of Canadian ORT and service with the World Jewish Congress, World Conference of Jewish Organizations and the American Joint Distribution Committee.

A host of community leaders paid tribute to Abbey and his wife Minnie at the dinner chaired by Jack Cummings.

Said Cummings: There are so many speakers here because the involvements of Monroe Abbey have been of such universality that there are many organizations and institutions who must do him honor."

Last year's Montreal Negev Dinner honoree, Nathan Scott, President of the JNF of Canada, said he could not think of anyone who has done more on behalf of his country, the Jewish community and Israel. Scott likened being honored at a Negev Dinner to a simcha, "a high point in one's life."

"An outstanding community leader, an exemplary citizen of Canada, a devoted son of the Jewish people and a tireless worker for everything that is good," was how Neri Bloomfield, chairman of the board of the Canadian Zionist Federation, described Abbey.

He has always been a devoted husband and father as well, said Mrs. Bloomfield, and it is not surprising his children Stanley, Sheila Finestone and Diane Abbey-Livingston, are so active in community affairs today. Mrs. Abbey - Livingston, the youngest daughter, delivered the family's greetings.

Allied Jewish Community Services President Hillel Becker said the "way your children live .... the way they serve the community must be to you a far greater and more precious honor." He added that of all the senior leaders of the community, none have given him more encouragement and personal warmth.

In his response, Abbey admitted what he accomplished could not have been possible without the support of his family and friends, with a good measure of chance.

If Samuel Bronfman were alive, said son Charles, he would have said, "Thank you for your wisdom, dedication, zeal and strength of purpose ..." Bronfman placed Abbey with Saul Hayes, Lavy Becker and the late Michael Garber as builders of Canadian Jewish Congress.

Abbey's devotion to Judaism was praised by Nahum Gelber, president of Shaar Hashomayim Congregation. Calling him a "true shul mensch," Gelber said despite scores of activities he always found time for the Shaar. Abbey joined the board at the age of 33 and 40 years later remains the synagogue's honorary president. Rabbi Wilfred Shuchat of the Shaar delivered the invocation.

Montreal JNF President Yoine Goldstein, who made the presentations, remarked on Abbey's long and distinguished career at the bar.

Plaut spoke of Abbey's "utter and total integrity. His yes is yes, not maybe."

Abbey is "kind, sweet and loyal," said Plaut. "One is proud to know him and, in time, to call him your friend."

Consul-General Zvi Caspi, who brought greetings from Israel, extolled the forestration projects of JNF, adding that this has been ignored by the media. Also present from Israel were JNF Jerusalem emissary Yaacov Gur and Amos Gilboa, educational emissary.

A 10-minute film, **Legacy**, produced by JNF Executive Vice-President Harris Gulko on JNF's work, was shown during the course of the evening.

A special JNF Canada Park project in Israel will be named in honor of Abbey.

(Sam Blum photo)

Monroe Abbey [left], former president of Canadian Jewish Congress, is congratulated by Defence Minister Barney Danson on being chosen 1978 Montreal Negev Dinner honoree. The annual Jewish National Fund affair was attended by almost 1,000 at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

World News

(Religious News Service photo)

This self-styled Nazi, who identifies himself only as "Ken," sits before a portrait of Adolf Hitler, the Nazi swastika and the American and Confederate flags in a Detroit bookstore operated by a neo-Nazi group. He said he was willing to use force if demonstrators tried to break in.

Syrian Jewry's plight

JERUSALEM (JCNS) —

Not a single Syrian Jew was permitted to leave the country last year, Jacob Tsur, president of the Council for Syrian Jewry, said on Syrian Jewry Day, part of a world-wide campaign to call attention to the plight of the 800 Jewish families in that country.

In the Knesset, Haim Landau, minister without portfolio, gave a pledge that the Israeli government would not rest until Jews in Syria secured "the elementary right" to leave the country if they so wished.

Quiet diplomacy, said the minister, had proved to be insufficient and Israel, therefore, now publicly appealed to other governments and parliaments to exert pressure on Damascus to this end.

In London, a claim that Jews in the Damascus ghetto are living in the same quarter as Palestinian Arabs, some of whom are being selected for terrorist activities against Israel, was made at a press conference designed to highlight the problems of Syrian Jewry.

A representative from the World Organization for Jews in Arab Countries (WOJAC), David Silvera, in describing present-day conditions in Syria, said that "quite simply, a child who was born 30 years ago is today 30 years old without having experienced freedom."

Silvera added that though the main intention of WOJAC was to help Jews leave Syria without their necessarily going to Israel, President Assad had announced that he would allow Jews to go to Europe as long as European countries would prevent those same Jews from going to Israel.

Lord Janner, who chaired the conference, which was held under the auspices of the Jews in Arab Lands Committee of the Zionist Federation, spoke of the 520 Jewish girls in Syria "who have no chance whatsoever of getting married."

Percy Gourgey, chairman of the committee, said that no one could be sure that the lifting of internal restrictions on Syria's Jews was permanent.

The committee's campaign includes a petition which will be sent to UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim. A motion has been tabled in the House of Commons calling upon the British government to support every effort to secure the freedom and human rights of Syrian Jews.

The British Section of the Council for Jews in Arab Countries held vigils in London and Manchester. More than 2,000 leaflets were distributed to passersby outside the Syrian Arab Airlines in Piccadilly where the London demonstration took place. Prayers for Syrian Jewry have been recited in synagogues throughout the country.

Iraq seeks ban on military aid

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —

A draft resolution calling for an arms embargo against Israel has been introduced by Iraq in the Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly special session on disarmament.

The draft resolution, which is co-sponsored by 26 other nations, called on all states, the United States in particular, to cooperate in an arms embargo against Israel.

It also called for an end to the transfer of all nuclear equipment or fissionable material or technology to Israel. The Iraqi draft called on the Security Council to impose the arms embargo on Israel.

Diplomats at the United Nations said that the majority of the membership would like to remove the Iraqi proposal from the disarmament discussions and possibly put it off until the regular session of the General Assembly, scheduled to open here in September.

The diplomats also expressed the view that the Iraqi resolution does not have a chance to be approved by the Security Council since the United States is most likely to veto it.

Israel denounced the draft as a "disruptive and divisive" resolution filled with "lies and distortions."

POW status for Israeli

GENEVA (JTA) —

The International Red Cross has reported that Avraham Amram, 28, an Israeli soldier who was captured by terrorists in south Lebanon last month, was given the status of prisoner of war by his captors. The terrorists had announced that they would place him on trial as a war criminal, but the Red Cross said this will not now take place.

Striking parallels apparent

U.S., French policy compared

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

There is a striking parallel between the situation in Washington, so far as America's special relationship to Israel is concerned, and that of Paris in 1968, according to the correspondent of Ha'aretz in Washington. When DeGaulle concluded the war in Algeria he created a policy that rested on two basic premises: (a) That France, without her colonies, would have to insure her continuing access to Arab oil. (b) In order to arrive at that objective it would be necessary to cancel the special relationships with Israel.

The Six Day War of June 1967 gave DeGaulle a perfect opportunity to accomplish his aim. DeGaulle imposed a weapons embargo on Israel, not because of the stated reason that Israel had fired the first shot, but rather because it was important — in his view — to establish new priorities for France.

According to Ha'aretz Jimmy Carter is now duplicating DeGaulle's policy and for the same reasons. The United States, which only 25 years ago exported 50% of its oil production, now imports 45% of its petroleum needs. Carter has to deal with the same problem which DeGaulle faced some 12 years ago: How to cope with America's special relationship to Israel without damaging America's interests in the Arab world. As a first step Carter began to dissolve the special relationship with Israel by declaring that the Arab states are also entitled to American arms. In this way Carter set a principle and a precedent that America has responsibilities for the security of the Arab countries and not only for Israel.

The second manifestation of Carter's "De-Gaullization" was evidenced by Cyrus Vance's declaration that Israel violated its agreement with the United States by using American weapons in southern Lebanon. This would imply that from now on it will be up to Washington to decide when and how Israel is entitled to use American arms. This is a dangerous precedent which entails the most serious, far-reaching consequences in terms of restricting Israel's freedom of action.

Some optimists will say, the writer goes on, that there is no true analogy between Israel's position in America and her former position in France. In America there is a large and influential Jewish community which Carter cannot ignore. The same situation, they say, was not true of DeGaulle in Paris.

This is a cogent argument, but is not a totally decisive one. The truth is, the newspaper writes, that even in France Israel enjoyed enormous popularity, not only among the people but also in the parliament. The French were traditionally hostile to the Arabs. However, this all changed when it became clear that France had more to gain from her relationship with the Arab world than from her relationship to Israel. There is therefore very little doubt — the writer goes on — that Israel faces some rather heavy sailing in the near future in her relationship with America.

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Clergymen investigate family trends

OTTAWA —

Delegates taking part in a Jewish-Christian seminar on "The Family Under Attack," held here recently, identified numerous ways in which religious groups can better help families cope with present-day crises.

Suggestions by featured speakers and delegates included:

— affirm Judeo-Christian teachings that marriage and parenthood are a partnership with God to "help complete an unfinished universe";

— concentrate institutional efforts in support of "the 80% who follow the classical form of family life";

— show more understanding and give more effective support to neighbors living in other forms of family, including those in "marginal situations";

— consider co-sponsoring a Canadian conference on family questions in 1980;

— advocate public policies to eliminate poverty for one-parent families and others in severe economic difficulties and

— advocate adequate assistance programs in the way of day care, homemaking services, and home aid for handicapped families.

The two-day seminar was arranged by the Canadian Jewish-Christian Liaison Committee on behalf of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Canadian Council of Churches, the Canadian Jewish Congress, and the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

More than 80 men and women took part in the three-phase program which examined familial and societal trends, the role of the home in society, and the family as a "school of faith". St. Paul University and the Christian Council of the capital area were co-hosts.

The Jewish-Christian Liaison Committee was established in January, 1977 by executive officers of the CCC, CCCJ and CJC. Now the parent bodies are considering interfaith goals, ways and means for formal ratification.

The committee's vice-president, Moe Seidman of Cote St. Luc, welcomed the warm cordiality between the faiths in Canada and expressed his conviction that the fraternal bonds being forged in the committee will strengthen the respective religious traditions and common endeavors.

Principal speakers were Benjamin Schlesinger, School of Social Work, University of Toronto; Barbara Chisholm, Canadian Council of Children and Youth; Rev. Claude Michaud, Pax Vobis Foundation, Ottawa, and Rabbi Wilfrid Shuchat, Shaar Hashomayim Congregation, Montreal.

Schlesinger reviewed current trends, citing statistics to show that family size is shrinking, while one-parent households, voluntarily childless marriages and co-habiting relationships are all increasing, as are first marriages, separations, divorces, remarriages and "reconstituted families" of remarried couples with children.

There are more abortions and also more unmarried mothers under 19 who choose to keep their babies, he said.

"How can religious institutions meet these trends?" he asked. "Where are the boundaries as to what we can accept and not accept?" To help find answers to these and other questions, he proposed a full-scale Canadian conference on the family in 1980 — which would be the first since 1964.

While affirming his commitment as a husband and parent to traditional Judeo-Christian beliefs, Rev. Tom Kingston suggested that the widespread assumption which sees the conventional form of family life as the only religious one should be re-examined.

He said many Canadians are fed up with "the Noah's Ark approach to family which says that you can only get on two by two." He felt that the majority of conventional marriages were more or less successful, yet alternative forms of family also required more caring attention.

Ms. Chisholm reviewed historical forms and functions of the family, factors which contribute to familial well-being, and the modern family as "an institution in transition."

She challenged "the mythology of the perfect marriage and family." Instead, family living "is a practise ground for learning how to live with human limitations, for learning compassion and forgiveness."

Panelist Rabbi Howard Joseph, of Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue, said religious groups traditionally expect three things from family life: a sense of identity (the Exodus story celebrated annually by Jewish families is a key example), a sense of direction, and for meaning — "a sense of what life is about, a sense of belonging; the security of constancy."

"Home" rather than "family" is the word ordinarily used in classical Jewish writings, Shuchat observed. He stated that "for Jewish people, the survival of the family is a matter of life and death."

religiously and culturally. The modern family's greatest failure, in his view, "is the inability to educate in moral behavior."

"The ideal family may not exist," the speaker continued, "but it is the ideal which calls us to make the effort to reach for it."

Chatting at recent Jewish-Christian seminar on "The Family Under Attack," are [from left] Father Mankarious, Egyptian Coptic church of Ottawa; Pere Stephane Valiquette, Centre d'ecumenisme de Montreal, and Samuel Lewin, religious affairs director of Montreal branch of Canadian Jewish Congress. Two-day seminar, held in Ottawa, was arranged by Canadian Jewish-Christian Liaison Committee.

Economic difficulties confront close to 15% of Winnipeg's elderly

By A. J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG —

The need for increased economic aid to meet the future requirements of elderly Jews here is one of the significant findings of a report just released by the Commission on Aging of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council.

The report says 14.4% of the elderly are in financial difficulty, but 22.7% expect trouble in meeting their future economic needs.

Winnipeg now has approximately 3,000 Jewish elderly, accounting for 12 to 15% of the total Jewish population. Just over 41% live in West Kildonan, in the northwest area of the city. A little more than 40% live in the south end (River Heights and Fort Rouge area), while just over 18% are in the old north end (between West Kildonan and the core area of the city).

The study was based on 464 scheduled interviews, 409 of which were completed. In the north end and West Kildonan, 100% of the interviews were completed. In the south end only 70% were completed, as there were more persons away or refusing interviews.

Seven need areas were assessed, including: economic shelter, household maintenance, food and clothing, ethno-cultural, psycho-social, physical health functioning and mental health functioning. Accessibility and availability of resources to meet needs were also studied.

The interviews were conducted from early January to March 15, 1978 by three staff persons of Winnipeg's Age and Opportunity Centre, and over 25 volunteers. Those interviewed were people 60 years of age and over.

Accessibility of resources to meet the needs of the aged was the greatest current concern, the study revealed. It was shown that even where there are sufficient resources available, people don't always know about them and are therefore not getting the help they require.

The area of lowest concern, on an overall basis, according to the report, is for help with household maintenance, acquisition of food and clothing. This vital need is still a problem for some people, although the numbers are not disclosed. What is shown, however, is that the capability of available resources to help meet the household maintenance need is lower than for any other need.

In two need areas, ethno-cultural and economic, available resources are greater than the level of need. This means that there are more than enough opportunities for Jewish elderly to participate in religious or Jewish cultural activities, and sufficient community resources for financial aid as long as those who need it can be brought to the source.

On the other hand, psycho-social needs, explained as opportunities for education, recreation and travel — are considerably higher than the resources available to meet them. And the needs for shelter, household maintenance and physical and mental health functioning are also greater than available resources.

All those questioned were asked where they'd like to live: 27% wanted "exclusively" Jewish housing, 25.9% said "mostly" Jewish and 36.4% said "half and half". Of the remaining 10%, .7% asked for "few" or not more than "one or two" Jews while the balance did not respond to the question.

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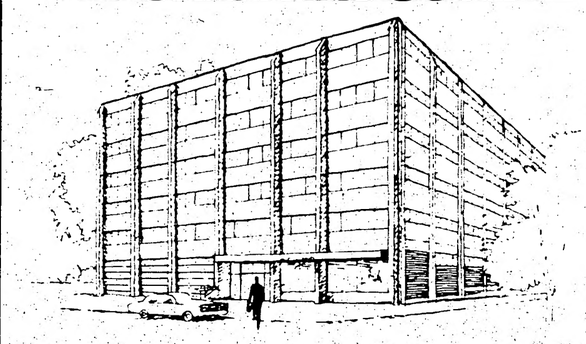

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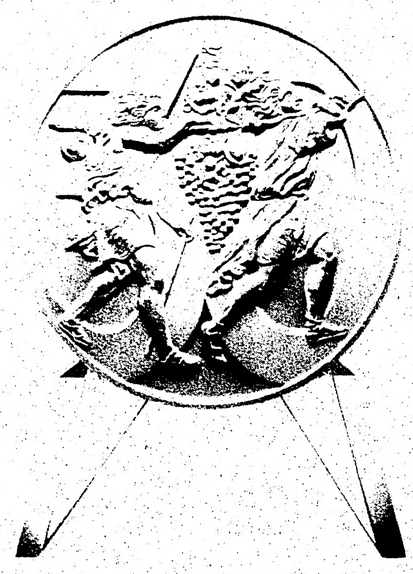

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Democracy in Egypt proved more than Sadat could bear

mideast analysis

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

"Sadat wanted a sort of democracy. I think that what he got was more than he wanted." Mohammed Hassanein Heykal, former editor of Al Ahram.

Egypt's short-lived experiment in Western liberal democracy has been dealt a severe setback by the man who initiated it in the first place some two years ago. Late last month, the voters of this ancient land gave President Anwar Sadat an overwhelming mandate to carry out his proposals for curtailing political dissent and criticism in the press. Last week, the draconian measures were approved by the Peoples Assembly, Egypt's parliament.

A popular political joke making the rounds in Cairo today encapsulates the atmosphere of repression that Sadat has brought to his country.

An Egyptian flies to the United States to have a tooth pulled. "Don't you have any dentists in Cairo?" the perplexed American dentist asks. "Yes, and much cheaper, too," the patient replies. "But no one dares open his mouth at home these days."

Like all jokes, this one barely masks the grim situation that lies behind the mirth. Though Sadat hotly claims that he has no intention of returning Egypt to the autocracy that characterized the regime of Gamal Abdel Nasser, his predecessor, his opponents are not so sure. The Egyptian Bar Association criticized Sadat's referendum as "unconstitutional, illegal and a setback to democracy", while Khalid Mohieddin of the leftist National Progressive Unionist Party charged that the president was bent on liquidating the opposition.

Under the terms of the referendum, which was endorsed by a suspiciously high 98% of the population on May 22, anyone who espouses communism, anyone in the pro-Moscow faction purged by Sadat in the spring of 1971 and anyone who helped "corrupt political life" before the 1952 coup would be banned from responsible public posts and the press.

The six points in the referendum are so vague and imprecise as to confer almost unprecedented powers on Sadat, whose conservative proclivities are well known both in the Arab world and the West.

It is generally acknowledged that the referendum was primarily aimed at undermining two of the country's four legal parties — the National Progressive Unionist Party and the right-wing New Wafd Party. Their leaders have been accused of sowing "a campaign of doubt", of exploiting Egypt's domestic difficulties for their own political ends. (Last week, the National Progressive Unionist Party suspended activities in protest against the referendum. Earlier, the New Wafd Party dissolved itself for the same reason.)

Naturally, Sadat claims that "the democratic experiment is alive and I want it to succeed." But one wonders. Like his counterparts in Chile and anywhere else where totalitarianism reigns supreme, Sadat employs 1984 language to confound his critics and confuse the world.

The crackdown on free political and journalistic expression was foreshadowed on May 2, one day after May Day, when Sadat warned that opponents risked a confrontation if they continued to harp on the government's problems.

For the last few months, the New Wafd and the National Progressive Unionist Party have charged the government with mismanaging the economy, corruption and indifference to the plight of the Egyptian masses. The critics, however, have not lambasted Sadat for his Israeli peace initiative. Sadat's "sacred mission" has been exempt from criticism, possibly because there is unanimity among all factions that the nation desperately needs peace in order to develop.

Clearly, the economy is in a mess, and one can easily speculate that without massive infusions of American and Arab aid — to the tune of about $3 billion annually — Egypt would have been rocked by a revolution long ago.

Sadat's Open Door policy, designed to encourage Western investment, is a failure to date, and the emergence of a new nouveau riche class, flaunting their expensive German-made cars and frequenting chic discos and smart cafes, is indicative of the fact that the poor have not benefitted from the president's "corrective revolution".

Being a shrewd politician, and mindful of the 19?? food riots that left 90 dead in the streets of Egyptian cities, Sadat cracked down on his most vociferous opponents in the hope of averting a coup and popular discontent among the largely ill-informed population.

To outsiders unfamiliar with Egypt, Sadat's shock tactics at stifling dissent came as somewhat of a surprise, partly because he was perceived as a democrat.

Within nine months of succeeding Nasser, Sadat began to dismantle the detention camps his predecessor had established, pledged that he would seize no private property and indicated that he would set in motion the process leading to a multi-party system.

Sadat was true to his words. In the spring of 1976, as he writes in his new autobiography, **In Search for Identity** (Fitzhenry and Whiteside), Sadat permitted the emergence of three parties — leftist, rightist and centre — under the aegis of Nasser's creature, the Arab Socialist Union. Last February, the New Wafd Party — an outgrowth of the old, nationalistic Wafd — was recognized as Egypt's fourth official party.

Afterwards, in relatively free elections, Sadat's centre faction won a substantial majority in Parliament. Members of the centre wing represent the political 'establishment', and the centre faction is supported by elements of the middle class who favor parliamentary democracy but who are against such structural changes as land reform. The leftist "platform" is backed by Nasserites with Marxist leanings and religious functionaries who wish to be regarded as progressives. The man who leads it, Khalid Mohieddin, was a member of Nasser's original Revolutionary Command Council, a forerunner of the Arab Socialist Union.

But now, in the aftermath of the referendum, Sadat's fragile experiment in controlled democracy is in dire danger, and the spectre of Nasserist authoritarianism looms large. Sadat may well succeed in steering Egypt off the democratic road at no immediate cost, and he may even be able to sign an elusive separate agreement with Israel as a result of his retrogressive move. Yet when the chickens come home to roost, as they inevitably must, Sadat may find that he has irretrievably endangered his eight-year-old regime from the forces that seek to drag it down into ignominy.

What is in the cards for Anwar Sadat?

Six points of Egyptian referendum

The six points of President Sadat's referendum are:

— No person advocating any ideology incompatible with religion may be appointed to any higher administrative post in the state or public sector, nor may he be allowed to write in the press and other news media or serve on the boards of trade unions and professional associations.

— No person who took part in corrupting political life before the July 1952 revolution will be allowed to join any political party or exercise political activity.

— Those convicted by a revolutionary tribunal, members of the centres of power after the July revolution and those who were convicted of crimes against personal liberties and who took action to corrupt political life and jeopardize national unity and social peace will be excluded from all political activity.

— The People's Assembly will have the right to determine the validity of accusations against persons and decide penalties against offenders.

— The socialist prosecutor-general will investigate and prosecute offenses under the first three points and will report his findings to the people's assembly for approval, rejection or amendment.

— The press shall be committed to the democratic socialism of the state and its gains, social peace, national unity and the press charter.

Guest editorial

After one year

By HOWARD GRIEF

Israel's internal political situation is still in a state of flux one year after the rise to power of the Likud government under Menachem Begin. Each of the major parties has not yet fully adjusted to their new roles, Labor in opposition, Likud at the helm.

The current Labor leader, Shimon Peres, feels that the party will return to power in the next election, perhaps even before the end of Begin's legal term and is already preparing for the eventuality. But opinion polls do not show any marked increase in Labor support since a year ago.

It is more likely that Labor will remain in the opposition for a longer spell than it suspects. First, the Israeli electorate tends to stick with the incumbent party. The conservatism of the Israeli voter kept Labor in power over the years longer than warranted.

Second, the shifting composition of the electorate has made the Sephardim, the most important element in terms of their numbers. The large number of Sephardic voters put Begin in power. Begin returned the favor by nominating a Sephardi to the high office of president. His original choice did not succeed. The new president, Yitzhak Navon, was elected by a large majority of the Knesset.

The only way for Labor to make an early return to power is for Likud to defeat itself by following unpopular policies or by splitting up, an unlikely event while it remains in power, even though there are always strains within the Likud bloc of parties.

Contrary to the impression given by the Peace Now movement in Israel, the Likud's policies are supported by a majority of Israelis. According to a survey taken in mid-May by the Institute of Applied Social Research and the Hebrew University's Communications Institute, 76% of the population sample expressed support for the government's peace policy and 56% thought that the state of the nation in its 30th years is good or very good.

Although Likud has risen to power, it has not yet placed its stamp on the country to the same degree as Labor has done. This is largely due to the short lapse of time since Labor's defeat and the fact that most of the governing cadres of the country still come from Labor ranks. Begin did not make wholesale dismissals of government personnel when he came to power as is the custom in Western democracies when there is a change of government.

There has been a change in direction and substance in the foreign and economic policies of Israel under Begin, but these changes are being implemented by appointees of old Labor administrations who are still in place. Begin has been sharply criticized by his own Herut party, the main component of Likud, for not putting more Herut members or sympathizers into places of power.

Begin has promised that he will step down as premier after one term of office. The battle of his succession is already taking place. Chief contender for Begin's position is Ezer Weizman, the defence minister who is more popular in the country at large than in his own Herut party. Another important contender is the controversial Arik Sharon, minister of agriculture, who favors widespread Jewish settlement in Judea and Samaria and therefore commands support from religious and secular nationalists. Other persons being mentioned to succeed Begin are Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir and Moshe Arens, Knesset defence and foreign affairs committee chairman. Begin's own position is secure. A majority of Israelis support him and his policies. Polls indicate he would easily win any new election if one were called.

Begin has been stung more by dissent within the Herut party than from the weakened Labor party. He clashed with his former adviser, the articulate Shmuel Katz, over the peace plan he presented to President Sadat of Egypt. Katz feels that Begin was too generous and too quick in offering to restore all of Sinai to Egyptian sovereignty. Moreover, Begin weakened Israel's claim to Judea and Samaria by agreeing to hold in abeyance the question of sovereignty over these territories for at least five years.

Begin's view prevailed by a margin of 60 to 40% when a vote was taken in the Herut central committee to decide who would join Begin's cabinet — Katz or Haim Landau. The latter won only because of Begin's strong support for him.

Howard Grief is a Montreal lawyer and member of the Jewish Agency executive.

Kudos to Kitchener

Kudos to the good burghers of Kitchener-Waterloo who recently took out a full page ad in their local newspaper to demonstrate publicly their support of the aggrieved citizenry of Skokie.

The ad, signed by more than 400 people of British, German and other descent, calls upon the people of this central Ontario town to express their horror at the proposed Nazi march on June 25.

"We here in Kitchener and Waterloo have learned that in Skokie there live several thousand survivors from Hitler's death camps. These people have suffered too much already, and we are firmly resolved not to stand idly by while Nazis try to humiliate them."

These words from the striking ad are joined to a two inch high headline which reads "Never Again". Organizers of the ad indicate that they intend to place a similar ad in the Skokie newspaper.

It is significant that among the hundreds of names appended to the statement there are prominent German and Polish residents of the twin-city area. A special statement of support is also expressed by the Association of the Kitchener-Waterloo Polish ex-Prisoners which condemns the proposed Nazi march.

With this dramatic call for repudiating the American Nazis, the ordinary citizens of a small Canadian town have taken the lead on this continent in showing that the resurgence of demonic forces is an issue for all concerned citizens, not merely Jewish ones. Organizers of this protest statement are to be congratulated for alerting the general public to the menace of a small but determined group of provocateurs.

Diamond jubilee

It is doubtful that the women of the Ezras Noshem Society, who opened the Toronto Jewish Old Folks Home on Cecil Street in 1918, foresaw the world-renowned geriatric care complex which would grow from the seed they planted. They simply saw a need, and filled it.

But it was this very simplicity which led to the growth and development of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, now celebrating its diamond jubilee year. Each of the five health care facilities, which together make up Baycrest Centre, was opened in answer to a need.

The present Jewish Home for the Aged is the direct descendant of the Cecil Street home. In its cheerful, climate-controlled surroundings, some 360 well-aged men and women receive the medical, nursing and social service care they need, plus kosher meals, the guidance of a resident rabbi, and a full program of social and cultural activities.

Baycrest Hospital is a 154-bed chronic care and rehabilitative hospital under the auspices of the Ministry of Health. Baycrest Hospital works closely with Mount Sinai Hospital (also founded by the Ezras Noshem Society), and the medical staffs are jointly appointed. The special services of the hospital — the audiology clinic, eye clinic, podiatry clinic and dental service — allows Baycrest to provide its residents with all necessary health care services.

Baycrest Day Care Service was begun in 1959 to help people who had been accepted for admission to the home, but for whom no bed was yet available. The service includes door-to-door transportation and two meals-per-day, plus a full day of activity. Today, many day care members are able to continue living in their own homes because of the support they receive through day care. The need for institutional care is often delayed for a number of years.

Baycrest Terrace was opened in 1976. It is a minimal care institution for able elderly who are capable of taking care of many of their own needs, but who require some help. Each resident has a private, self-contained suite with a kitchenette, but eats the main meal of the day in a communal dining room. All of the medical facilities of the centre are available if needed.

And finally, the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre provides residents of the Terrace with the facilities of a complete senior adult centre. Membership in the Wagman Centre is also open to anyone 55 or over in the community.

As more and more people continue to live longer and longer, new needs will arise. Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, working in conjunction with other community agencies will meet these new needs as they have met those of the past.

The Toronto community is to be congratulated on having the vision to develop Baycrest Centre and the commitment to support it. It is only 6.2 miles from Cecil Street to 3560 Bathurst St., but it's a long way from the Toronto Jewish Old Folks Home to Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care. You've come a long way, Baycrest!

Letter to the Editor

Shul no place for immodesty

Dear Editor:

Ordinarily, I would not presume to suggest to other people what they should wear, or where they may wear it. Most adults, fortunately, have a sense of what is in good taste, and dress accordingly.

However, it would seem necessary to point out to some ladies in our community that when they enter the sanctuary of a synagogue for a wedding ceremony, it is nothing less than desecration of that holy place to be dressed in a state of semi-nudity. Some bodies are undoubtedly beautiful and some fashions are designed to reveal them to advantage. At the same time, they are inappropriate in a place of worship.

Dorothy Bader,
Downsview, Ont.

U of T geneticist acts as ombudsman in debate over controversial research

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —

"Just don't ask me about cloning," says Louis Siminovitch, with a soft sigh of resignation endemic to those constantly approached by media interlopers. Chairman of the University of Toronto's Department of Medical Genetics, and a leading contributor to provincial and national research policy, the 58-year-old scientist leans back in a swivel chair, shirt neck open, a mass of papers, documents and books encroaching on his space.

"It's a whisper of imagination," he says of the hyped-up controversy surrounding a book purporting to describe the test tube reproduction of a genetically identical human from one donor cell. Brushing that subject aside he turns to his more serious mission as mediator between the scientific world and laymen.

Siminovitch, geneticist-in-chief at the Hospital for Sick Children, couldn't be a better spokesman for his profession at a time when the ethical questions surrounding genetic research are so acute and veiled in emotionalism. An affable man who shoots out ideas in a rapid-fire yet soft-spoken voice, he advocates greater interactive responsibility between scientists and the community — particularly since genetics, more than other biological sciences, reaches into the core of our identities.

"Genetics hits people at the heart, because it's the science of heredity," he explains. "To tell someone that they could be cloned engenders a gut response. They see visions of Aldous Huxley's **Brave New World** and its anathema . . . the idea of imposing value judgments as to what's right and what's wrong."

Founder of **Science Forum** and editor of another publication, **Virology**, the Montreal-born geneticist has served as key adviser to the Medical Research Council, the Science Council of Canada and the Centre for Bioethics of Montreal's Clinical Research Institute, among many others.

Much of the heated public debate centres on the controversial recombinant DNA research, sometimes called gene splicing, where genetic material (DNA), often from widely different organisms, is joined. Put simply, that technological process allows researchers to study the chemical and biological processes in normal organisms, as well as atypical cells like cancer — a field in which Siminovitch has been involved. His and others' experiments have made it possible to isolate the DNA which can convert into cancer cells to study its properties.

Recombinant DNA technology also affords the possibility of creating synthetic insulin and growth hormones, enzymes to treat such diseases as hemophilia, and specialized fertilizers to increase food productivity.

But the research is a two-edged sword, where benefits must be weighed against risks. Both scientists and public alike fear that genetic manipulation will lead to new life forms, or the creation of unknown diseases, and that virulent viruses will escape containment laboratories. The ultimate fear in human genetic engineering revolves around the ethical questions and value judgments over selecting traits — the creation of an ubermensch, manipulated by political factors.

Siminovitch is not immune to those concerns, as chairman of an ad hoc government committee drafting regulations on genetic research. The public should be a partner in ethical decision-making, as long as it is an educated public, he maintains.

Recipient this year of the U of T Alumni Association's award of distinction, he told a university audience that restricting developments in genetics "may be tantamount to abdicating our ability to come to grips with many of our major health problems . . .

"While recognizing that there must be limits to what one should be able to do in the laboratory, it seems to me that there is perhaps more danger if scientific innovation is unduly throttled, based on insufficient information, on prejudices and irrational fears."

Those very fears led to an agitated encounter between Harvard scientists and Massachusetts residents over DNA research at the university and potential biohazards. Not since the development of the atomic bomb had the scientific community been so scrutinized under an ethical microscope.

Siminovitch notes that although three to four centres in Canada are already producing recombinant DNA, Canadians have little reason for concern. While the danger for Americans, he says, lies with the possible perversion of genetic discoveries by pharmaceutical and military interests.

He concedes the scientific-lay relationship has been marred in the past by mutual scepticism. "The reluctance is complicated. But the reasons are twofold: first, the scientists felt their stuff would be bastardized by people in the community, and that has happened, and second, they felt they shouldn't be proselytizers."

The scientists doesn't come out squeaky clean, morally, in all instances, he admits. Experimentation on terminal cancer patients or convicts has virtually disappeared because of its unsavory connotations.

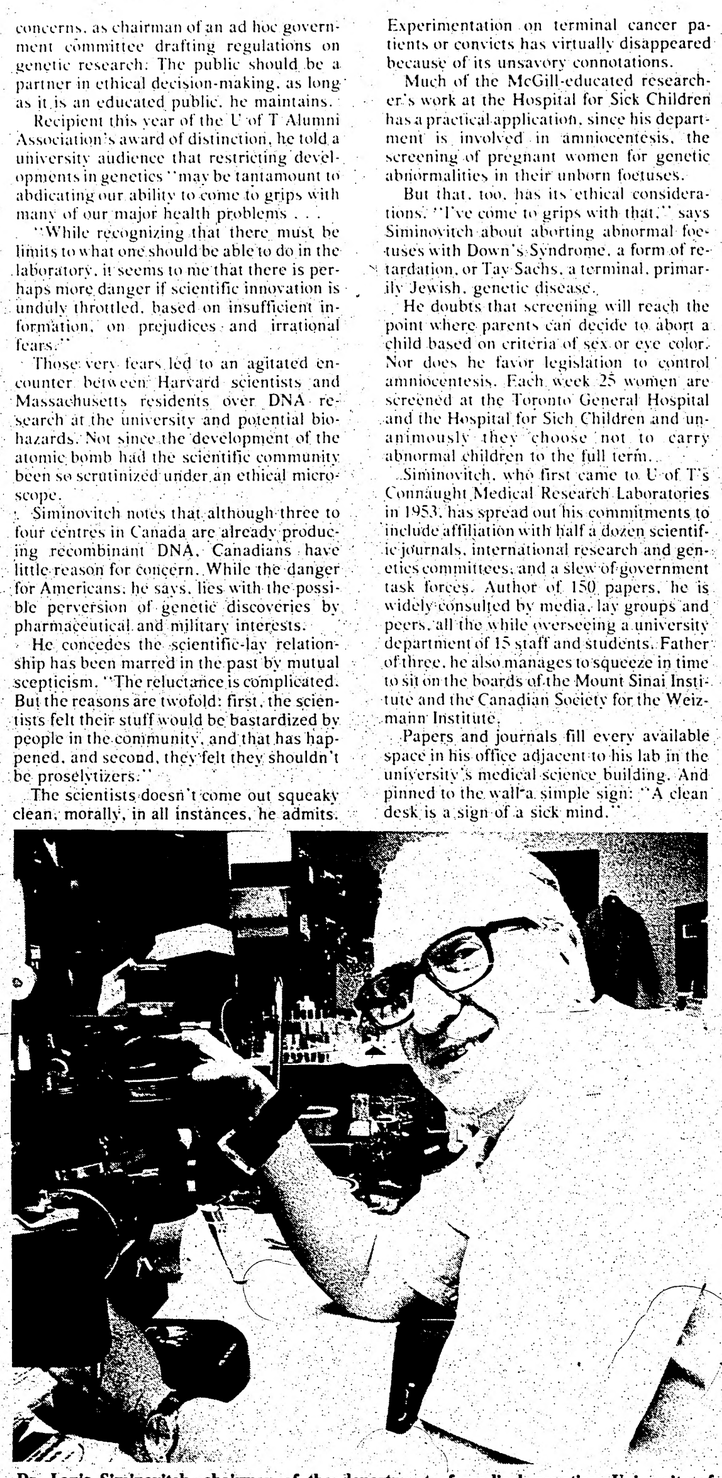
Much of the McGill-educated researcher's work at the Hospital for Sick Children has a practical application, since his department is involved in amniocentesis, the screening of pregnant women for genetic abnormalities in their unborn foetuses.

But that, too, has its ethical considerations. "I've come to grips with that," says Siminovitch about aborting abnormal foetuses with Down's Syndrome, a form of retardation, or Tay Sachs, a terminal, primarily Jewish, genetic disease.

He doubts that screening will reach the point where parents can decide to abort a child based on criteria of sex or eye color. Nor does he favor legislation to control amniocentesis. Each week 25 women are screened at the Toronto General Hospital and the Hospital for Sich Children and unanimously they choose not to carry abnormal children to the full term.

Siminovitch, who first came to U of T's Connaught Medical Research Laboratories in 1953, has spread out his commitments to include affiliation with half a dozen scientific journals, international research and genetics committees, and a slew of government task forces. Author of 150 papers, he is widely consulted by media, lay groups and peers, all the while overseeing a university department of 15 staff and students. Father of three, he also manages to squeeze in time to sit on the boards of the Mount Sinai Institute and the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute.

Papers and journals fill every available space in his office adjacent to his lab in the university's medical science building. And pinned to the wall a simple sign: "A clean desk is a sign of a sick mind."



Dr. Louis Siminovitch, chairman of the department of medical genetics, University of Toronto, is a leading contributor to provincial and national research policy in Canada.

Audio-visual displays take visitor on walk through history

Museum tells the proud, inspiring story of Diaspora

focus on Israel

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Nineteen centuries ago, the Jews were sent into exile by the victorious legions of Titus. On numerous occasions since then, the Jewish people appeared on the verge of extinction. Yet each time, they somehow won the battle for survival, rebuilt their shattered institutions, and created new ones which revitalized and enriched their way of life and the lives of those among whom they lived.

Now there is a museum — Beth Hatefutsoth — the Museum of the Jewish Diaspora, which tells this proud and inspiring story. The emphasis is less in terms of what the Jews suffered in the countries of their dispersion, than on what they built.

The new museum is claimed to be the most advanced and innovative of its kind in the world. This is the first time audio-visual technology has been applied on such a massive scale to the presentation of historical subjects. The result of this approach totally revolutionizes the stereotyped concept of a museum visit. At Beth Hatefutsoth, the visitor becomes a lively participant in an exciting adventure: a walk through Jewish history.

However, the approach is not chronological. Instead, the exhibition cuts across 2,500 years of history to focus on constant themes in Jewish life: family, community, faith, culture, the Jewish people among the nations, and return to Zion. In addition, there is a chronosphere, a hall resembling a planetarium, where an audio-visual display detailing the migrations and movements of the Jewish people throughout history, places the other six sections of the exhibit in perspective.

Responsible for the basic concept and layout of the museum is the Israeli poet Abba Kovner, also well-known as a former partisan fighter in World War II, and later a commander in the Israeli War of Independence, before settling on a kibbutz. For the past seven years he has been joined by academics, art historians, and craftsmen of world standing, to create the exhibit.

"It is the first time in my life that something has caught me up so intensely, apart from my own writing," the writer with the iron-grey bush of hair, and the tough, sensitive face, told The Canadian Jewish News.

The visitor begins his tour of the museum at a huge replica of Titus's Arch in Rome, a fitting symbol of the Dispersion. Passing through a section devoted to the Jewish face, portrayed in art through the ages and through 250 continually flashing photographs of Jews from all parts of the world, he comes to the section on the family.

Here are life-like and detailed models representing the celebration of the rites de passage and festival cycle within the framework of the family. Models include a 14th century Spanish seder, a 19th century Galician wedding, and a modern American Bar Mitzva.

In the section on community, the visitor can see a model of communal institutions in medieval Germany: institutions for providing hospitality, philanthropy, visiting the sick, burial society, ritual slaughterer, Talmud Torah, mikva, synagogue, Beth Midrash and rabbinical court. The same section has a study area where the visitor can view videocassette films on communal life in the Eastern European shtetl, in Salonika, Greece, and Fez, Morocco.

Jewish martyrology through the ages is memorialized in a vast volume of poetry depicting episodes of persecution in Jewish history, and a large black abstract sculpture, illuminated from within, suspended from the ceiling to the ground floor. The section on faith is principally devoted to the models of the structures in which faith developed and was expressed.

The visitor may see a copy of the synagogue wall in Dura-Europus, Syria, or stand beneath a painted wooden ceiling, a reproduction from the destroyed synagogue of Chodorov, Poland. He may pore over fascinating scale models of the most famous synagogues in the world, many long destroyed, and reconstructed painstakingly in miniature, aided by archeological evidence, and contemporary graphic accounts.

Beth Hatefutsoth fulfils 20-year-old dream

The section on culture reviews the achievements of the Jewish people in all areas of cultural creativity: language, literature, education, the plastic arts, and the sciences. The emphasis is on the growth of cultural pluralism in Jewish life.

The section on the Jews among the nations is crammed with fascinating detail. The thought-provoking approach dwells on the struggle of Jews to define themselves in relation to their communities, and continues until the present day. For example, a press of a button illustrates some of the choices facing Jews in the modern era: a stiff, portly figure in a dress-coat from the Germany of the 1880s wavers between assimilation and the Reform Movement, an impoverished inhabitant from the Jewish Pale of Settlement chooses between political Zionism and emigration to America.

In this section, and the one that follows, the return to Zion, there is no easy, facile assumption that the creation of the state of Israel has disposed of all the problems and conflicts of the Diaspora. Although in a sense the wheel is seen to have come full circle with the Jewish people once again achieving sovereignty in their land, the relation between Israel and the Diaspora is presented as a continuously evolving one.

Opening week at the museum developed this theme: it began with a symposium on the inter-relations between Israel and the Diaspora in which participants included Nahum Goldmann, Arthur Hertzberg, Salo Baron and Abraham B. Yehoshua.

For Goldmann, the inauguration of Beth Hatefutsoth was the fulfilment of a 20-year-old dream. The decision to create such a museum was taken in 1959 at the World Jewish Congress, but did not enter its active phase until 1970. Even then, work on the project was kept as nearly secret as possible in case it foundered for lack of funds.

The project cost an estimated $9 million, most of which was raised by the landsmanschaften organizations of New York. Now the $1½-$2 million required annually for maintenance, temporary exhibits, filmmaking, symposia and the like, is to be raised by a world-wide fund-raising effort by societies of friends of Beth Hatefutsoth. Sol Kanee of Canada is known to be launching a Canadian society in support of the museum.

The museum's temporary exhibits will present material on contemporary Jewish communities. Director Weinberg hopes the museum will stimulate individuals and communities to research their own histories. "We hope that, in co-ordination with us, communities abroad will be able to assemble documentary or film material to present temporary exhibits at Beth Hatefutsoth."

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A miniature copy of a synagogue in Vilna, Lithuania is being displayed in the newly built Diaspora Museum in Tel Aviv. The museum is advertised as the most advanced in the world.

This model of the Jewish quarter in Lublin, Poland during 17th century is a typical example of what the visitor can expect to find in the Beth Hatefutsoth Museum—community section.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Correcting impression about educational pluralism

Dear Editor:

I wish to compliment The Canadian Jewish News for the good reporting of some remarks which I made to independent school advocates at the Hillel Academy in Ottawa on May 2. I only wish to correct a misimpression which may arise from some remarks which I made concerning the Canadian Teachers Federation Conference which I was attending at that time.

Although some of the teachers I spoke to expressed reservations about provincial funding for independent schools, the general attitude was one of support for educational pluralism in principle. In fact, one of the recommendations made to the plenary session of the CTF conference was that Canadian teachers encourage the development of alternative educational philosophies in their school sections. This leaves open the question as to how alternative educational philosophies and methods should be financed.

For my part, I was impressed by the tolerance and interest of the teacher federation's leaders attending the conference in finding ways to meet the needs of parents who, for reasons of conscience, cannot send their children to a typical public school.

I would like to thank Ms. Kahane for the very good job of reporting the substance of our meeting at Hillel Academy.

Lyle McBurney,
Executive Director,
Ontario Association of Alternative and Independent Schools

Dear Editor:

I had an opportunity during the hot and humid weather last week to be at the Congress building at 150 Beverley St. I was amazed to find that the building had no air conditioning, resulting in low productivity of Congress workers. Some members were standing close to an oversize electric ventilator to ease the unbearable heat in the building.

Out of curiosity, I visited all three floors of the building and my curiosity turned into a feeling of shock and dismay. The building which, according to some official statements is supposed to be the parliament of Toronto Jewry, is a dirty, overcrowded and crummy building.

I cannot understand why human beings are willing to work and spend a good part of their life in such unbearable conditions. The Jewish community of Toronto is blessed with some beautiful synagogues and institutions that are spacious, well furnished and pleasing to the eye, and therefore I cannot understand why the central building of Toronto Jewry is a dump and in a state of decay and disintegration.

Is there a leadership that cares about a thing like that? Or is it a reflection of the leadership? If this is the way our interests are served by our leaders, physical or otherwise, then may the good Lord have mercy upon us.

L. Deutsch,
Willowdale, Ont.

Dear Editor:

Why do some people get caught up in a storm of conversation during congregational services?

This human nature is painfully clear and a serious matter during community worship.

Can we do something about our fellow men and women in helping them to strengthen their trust and faith in silence — particularly in the synagogue during the dedication of prayer by the choir, the cantor, and the rabbi.

H. Max Seiden,
Toronto

Controversy over Fathers' Day rocks Hotzeh-Plotzeh Society

By J.B. SALSBERG

This exclusive report of the latest disturbance in the Hotzeh-Plotzeh Society is now made public for two and, maybe, three reasons.

First, because this issue of the paper will appear on the very eve of Fathers' Day hoo-haw and this event — even if it's upon us annually — deserves, as they say, some mention.

Second, my wise and self-effacing Uncle Eliezer pleaded with me to make known his and his friend Mendle's exclusive report of the latest clash that shook the rafter of the Hotzeh-Plotzeh Society's meeting place. And the third reason is that you would never forgive me if I kept such exciting bits of exclusive information to myself.

Three good and substantial reasons, I would think, for turning this week's column over to the titilating report of the latest, stirring confrontation in the H-P Society.

When the Fathers' Day promotion really got under way in North America many organized groups tried to give some tone of dignity to the event by holding fathers and sons shindigs. Everything from elaborate fathers and sons breakfasts, brunches, lunches, suppers and full dinners were permissible, according to the rules of etiquette governing this hoo-haw.

It wasn't long before Jewish organizations threw themselves into this Purim shpiel with whim and vigor, as they say. The First Hotzer Young Men's Society (whose average membership age was close to 70 plus) was one of the first of the Toronto landsmanshaften to arrange a fathers and sons luncheon. This they could do because the business community has made sure that all Fathers' Days fall on a Sunday, so that the presents could be bought during the final Saturday shopping spree.

And so the Hotzer Society, as other such societies who joined the parade and observed Fathers' Day, and the society's treasury covered, nebech, the annual deficits of such affairs. But the Plotzer Mutual Benefit Society decided not to get involved in what their leaders called — this Amerikaner mishugaas. No sirree, they said, and stuck to their decision.

When the two ailing societies merged, in the hope that together they may find some "young blood" for their hardening arteries; Fathers' Day observance became an issue. The Plotzer said that they still think that it is a waste of time and money, but for the sake of unity and to show goodwill they will go along with their Hotzer partners, on the understanding that the whole affair will be reopened after a three-year trial.

After the first Fathers' Day affair the merged treasury had to come up with $500 to cover the deficit. The Plotzer walked around with cynical smiles on their faces.

The second year the loss was $650 and the third year the deficit was $700. The Plotzer were out for blood. Enough is enough, they shouted. The Hotzer, on the other hand, argued that everything goes up; caterers charge more and the entertainers charge more too. Who needs musicians, the Plotzer countered angrily. But the Hotzer asked how they expected to attract young people if they won't offer a decent meal and good entertainment?

It was at this time that the bad-tempered and trouble-making Jake, of the Plotzer crowd, threw his match into the tinder box. "The whole thing is bunk," he shouted, "we all know that we have to buy the tickets for our sons and sons-in-law or they wouldn't come at all."

"You speak for yourself and your Plotzer landsleit," a hot Hotzer replied in anger. "Hotzer children are glad to come and honor their fathers." "You should live so," shouted Jake the trouble-maker.

Yankel (Jack) Buchalter, the respected financial secretary of the merged society tried to cool the members by suggesting innocently that the society should stop covering the deficits, the annual Fathers' Day affair should, however, go on but the price of the tickets should be raised so as to cover all costs of the affair.

That really threw the meeting into an uproar. You don't want young blood in the society, charged one side. You want to bleed the society to death, contended the other side. "You're Plotzer shnorers (beggars)," cried somebody and another voice was heard replying. "And you're Hotzer hooltayers (debautchers)."

The chairman, having lost control of the crowd, announced that the whole matter will be referred to the executive for consideration and closed the meeting.

What happened? The most unexpected thing happened. My Uncle Eliezer's friend, Mendle, came up with a brilliant idea: Whereas, Fathers' Day is the occasion for honoring fathers and, whereas, the society is made up almost entirely of fathers, then it's not nice for the fathers to arrange a celebration for themselves. It's like arranging a surprise party for oneself. So the society should get out of the Fathers' Day affairs and the members should leave it to their sons and sons-in-law to organize affairs if they want to honor their fathers.

The proposal was accepted. But everyone knew that there will be no more Fathers' Day affairs for the old members of the Hotzeh-Plotzeh Society. The sons and sons-in-law just won't take the trouble to do it. They wouldn't, everybody agreed sadly.

Golda Meir demands Peace Now movement tell nation whether it's for peace at any price

israel today

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

Israel's Peace Now movement has been called upon to answer some very tough questions.

Created several months ago by reserve officers from kibbutzim and universities who felt that Begin's policies were primarily responsible for the deadlock in negotiations between Israel and Egypt, it has hitherto managed to attract support from a broad cross-section of the Israeli public.

This was possible because its leaders spoke out in favor of further Israeli compromises in pursuit of "peace now," but studiously avoided making it clear just how far these compromises might go. Thus there has been room in the Peace Now movement both for elements who would accept a return to Israel's June 1967 borders (as demanded by Sadat), and others who would reject any settlement which did not provide for substantial changes in those borders.

Now blunt-spoken, ex-premier Golda Meir has come along and disrupted this idyllic vagueness by demanding that the peace movement make it clear whether it is for peace at almost any price, or only for a peace agreement under certain conditions.

Speaking to members of the Labor Party Council, Mrs. Meir said that however appealing the concept of "peace now," Israel could not afford to give up the Golan Heights, withdraw from the entire West Bank and all of Sinai, or agree to the establishment of a Palestinian state.

Golda's statement was embarrassing for the present leaders of the Labor Party who, as Shimon Peres recently put it, see "no contradiction" between their party's platform and the principles of Peace Now. This is rather strange, as the Labor Party's 1977 election platform spoke in exactly the same terms that Mrs. Meir speaks today.

Of course, Mrs. Meir heartily joins her party colleagues and Peace Now in their attacks on Begin for allowing new Jewish settlements to be established in the administered areas while negotiations with the Arabs are continuing, for supporting the retention of densely populated Arab areas which would make Israel a bi-national state, and for failing to maintain good relations with the American government.

At the same time, she is critical of those "who are so overwhelmed by the concept of peace" that they would agree to a settlement leaving Israel with indefensible borders.

"How," she asks rhetorically, "can anyone promise his children and grandchildren that there would be nothing to worry about after such a settlement? How can anyone be sure that the Arab leaders who pledged to keep the peace would be around to implement their pledges?"

Mrs. Meir is particularly taken aback by the attempt to put a deadline on the achievement of peace, which, she told the Labor Party Council, is not something that can be achieved at one fell swoop.

Her concept of the way in which peace must be sought is much less attractive, of course, than "peace now," and it certainly makes a far less catchy slogan. But Golda Meir is not alone in thinking that an impatient demand for "peace now" can only mean peace on Sadat's terms.

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Golda Meir offers her opinion on Peace Now movement, seen here in Jerusalem protest.

National News

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Mayor Irving Adessky of Hampstead [left] presents an Inuit carving to Mayor Avraham Aloni of Kiryat Shemona during the twinning ceremony of the two towns held recently in Hampstead Park. About 1,200 people came to the outdoor event organized by the Canadian Zionist Federation, Eastern Region, and Hampstead.

Kiryat Shemona mayor says...

Development towns neglected

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

It took an act of terrorism to jolt the Israeli government into formulating plans to revitalize Kiryat Shemona, and Mayor Avraham Aloni hopes that it doesn't take another tragedy for the authorities to cease neglecting Israel's all but forgotten development towns.

Kiryat Shemona was a sleepy backwater until April of 1974, when Palestinian terrorists killed 18 of its citizens in a pre-dawn raid that shocked the country and the world. In the wake of that incident, sudden attention was focused on the town facing the Lebanese border.

"From that tragedy, the government opened up its heart to us," explained Aloni, who was in Canada to take part in ceremonies twinning Kiryat Shemona and the Montreal suburb of Hampstead. "Before, the government didn't have any interest in building Kiryat Shemona."

Asked to explain Jerusalem's attitude, the 43-year-old official said: "Why? I still ask that question. I fought a war with the government to make them realize that a strong Jewish presence is needed in the north."

While the government has poured millions of dollars into Kiryat Shemona in the last four years, it is still largely indifferent to the plight of development towns, he complained in an interview conducted at his cousin's house here.

"They have troubles," he said of the government. "Carter. The United States. Who has time for development towns?"

He paused, mulling the matter over in his mind. "It also depends who the mayor is," he noted, glancing at his vivacious wife, Shoshana. "If he fights hard enough, he can squeeze funds out of the government."

Since 1974, Jerusalem has supplied Kiryat Shemona with about $25 million, diverted industry into the town of 20,000 and encouraged Israelis to settle there.

The government has also built 1,000 new apartments, three synagogues, 15 kindergartens, roads, gardens and a shopping plaza, he disclosed.

Thanks to the influx of industry and investment capital, the unemployment rate has fallen to about 1% from 12%.

According to a recently unveiled plan, the population will be increased to 50,000 within a decade. "It's not a dream," he said. "If we provide housing, jobs and education facilities, our population will double."

He added, "The government will give us whatever we want. The government finally realizes that to build Kiryat Shemona it must give money."

What Kiryat Shemona needs now, perhaps above everything else, is a hospital, he emphasized. The nearest medical facility is located in Safad, about 40 miles away.

Though security in the mainly Sephardic town has been considerably tightened since the 1974 massacre, Aloni admitted that it could happen again. He expressed doubts that Israel's recent massive invasion of southern Lebanon would solve the problem of terrorist incursion.

Despite the tension in the area, 300 Lebanese — mostly Christians — continue to commute from their villages in southern Lebanon to work in Kiryat Shemona. "The Lebanese are better workers than the Jews!" he said, a smile wreathing his face.

On the twinning of Kiryat Shemona and Hampstead, Aloni voiced the hope that it would have a beneficial economic effect on his town. He revealed that he had discussions with the Bloomfield family in Montreal about building a stadium similar to the one they donated to Jaffa.

As part of the twinning, 90 Montreal children are presently in a Kiryat Shemona summer camp, while Hampstead Mayor Irving Adessky plans to visit the town in September, Aloni said.

He has been mayor for the last seven years, and although he won the position as a Laborite he is no longer affiliated with the former ruling party. "I'm an independent, and I support the Land of Israel Movement," he said, referring to the organization which advocates retention of all the occupied areas.

A native of Lithuania, he arrived in Palestine when he was one month old. Prior to assuming the mayoralty, he was an administrator in the Histadrut, and lived in Rehovot.

BOOK PRIZE

TEL AVIV —

The Canadian Publishing Foundation, an organization interested in promoting Canadian literature abroad, has arranged to subsidize a Canada-Israel book prize with the Book Publishers' Association of Israel.

In alternate years, the foundation, headed by a London, Ont. couple, Marion and Edward Richmond, will subsidize the distribution of a translated Canadian work in Israel, and similarly, an Israeli work in Canada.

Committees, comprising publishers' and authors' representatives, will select books designed to be distributed on a wide basis in both countries. The "award" has the honorary patronship of Secretary of State of Canada John Roberts.

The subsidy arrangement, which was arrived at during the course of a meeting here with the Richmonds and representatives of the Book Publishers' Association of Israel, would mean that a publisher will be paid a certain sum, on condition that some 1,000 copies are distributed to libraries and other institutions.

Arabs connect Zionism with racism, Cotler says

By RUTH KAHANE

OTTAWA —

The equation linking Zionism with racism is alive and well in the Arab countries and Zionism is seen as an obstacle to peace, says Irwin Cotler.

What the Arabs mean by peace includes a freeze on immigration and Israel "committing demographic politicide", the McGill University law professor and human rights activist told the Mizrachi Hapoel-Hamizrachi Organization national convention on the eve of his fourth trip to the Arab countries to talk with Arab leaders.

"The Arabs say they have learned that if they speak about getting back their occupied territories, they'll never get it back. If they speak about peace, they'll get back their occupied territories and see the withering away of Israel," Cotler said, recounting a conversation with Syrian President Assad before the Sadat visit to Jerusalem.

There is no doubt the Arab countries all want peace, he said, but their conception of peace is opposite to that of Israel, and is "a restraint on any concept of a just and lasting peace in the Middle East."

"Zionism is regarded as an artificial ideology and normalization as the end of Zionism. In other words by the sheer force of numbers, Arabization will result in the de-Zionization of Israel, which will be the result of normalization of relations as part of the peace process," Cotler said.

He said the Arab conception of peace is influencing the U.S. political climate and public opinion to the extent that one can see the Arabization of U.S. foreign policy and the "Carterization" of Arab policy.

The Arabs believe that in terms of public opinion, the Mideast war will not be won in the Sinai, but in the White House," Cotler said.

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what's new

By MIRIAM HERMAN

KENSINGTON RECREATED

A Day in Kensington Market, complete with bagels, herring and bargains galore, is being set up by Baycrest Men's Service Group Sunday, June 18, on the grounds of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Stalls open from 1-5 p.m. along with the Cecil Street Cafe and Memory Lane which will house photographs and memorabilia of the old market. TV's King of Kensington, Al Waxman, will crown a Baycrest Centre resident as "Queen of the Market". Residents of Villa Colombo, the Italian home for the aged, will be guests of Baycrest Terrace residents. In case of bad weather, the market will be held indoors.

BEACH CONGREGATION BAZAAR

Another Sunday, the 18th, event is the bazaar being held by Beach Hebrew Institute, the first to take place at the 109 Kenilworth site in many a year. It will run from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the official opening at 1 by Mayor David Crombie. An auction will follow featuring good quality large clothes. All proceeds go to the restoration fund. The Beach Hebrew Institute building, which dates back to the early 1900s, has been recommended for designation as a historical site by the Toronto Historical Board. The congregation is actively embarked on a fund-raising campaign to renovate the building.

JEWS AND ARABS IN ISRAEL

Then later on Sunday, the 18th, at 8 p.m., Friends of Pioneering Israel and Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East are presenting Israeli editor-educator-television producer Ibrahim Shbat, a member of the executive committee of Histadrut, who will speak on **Jews and Arabs in Israel.** The meeting takes place at the Towne House, 881 Eglinton Ave., W.

NORTH PEEL COMMUNITY

Earlier this month, the children of North Peel Hebrew School and their families and other members of the North Peel Jewish Association celebrated the end of the term at a picnic at Terra Cotta Conservation Area. The NPJA was formed last fall to provide social, cultural and religious contacts for Jewish residents of the Brampton, Malton, Bolton and Georgetown areas. To date, 60 families have participated.

The school began last January with 23 children (ages 4-12) and two teachers meeting every Sunday morning at Earnscliffe Senior Public School in Bramalea. The association is continuing its programing through the summer and the school begins its new term on Sept. 10. If you are interested, call the Jewish Information Centre at 789-7279, or Brampton information at 457-9612.

HONOR ALUMNI

At its closing function for the season on Wednesday, the 21st, Bialik Hebrew Day School Parents Association is honoring the alumni of the Farband Folkschule who are celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first graduating class. The program includes presentations from the first graduates as well as from this year. The time is 8 p.m. at 14 Viewmount Ave. For information, call Sandy Wise at 783-2022.

WORKMEN'S CIRCLE SENIORS

Tuesday, the 20th, is the date of the Workmen's Circle Social Club's Fathers Day celebration featuring singer Eva Fischman, pianist Faigel Gartner and humorist Philip Cohen. It all begins at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. If you want to know more about it, call Shirley Grotell at 222-7727.

DIABETIC CLINIC

A diabetic clinic, sponsored by the Shoppers Drug Mart at Bathurst and Glencairn, Ames Laboratories, Becton Dickinson (pharmaceutical supplies) and Med Chem Laboratories, is scheduled for 8 p.m., Wednesday, the 21st, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. There will be a panel discussion with five physicians, a film, a question and answer period, and testing for sugar for those who desire it. For information, call Mr. Frank at 782-1119.

FOR SINGLES

Total Living group at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue is having a Fathers Day dance this Sunday, the 18th, at 8 p.m. And we have been asked to remind you — singles only please.

Also on Sunday, the 18th, the Young Adults (18-29) is holding a disco dance at the northern 'Y' at 8:30.

On Tuesday, the 20th, the Jewish Connection dance takes place from 8-1 at Hotel Triumph Disco.

SCHOOL PLAY

If you happen to see this issue before the Friday dateline, you may still have time to catch the Agatha Christie thriller, **Ten Little Indians,** staged by Ulpanot Orot Girls School on Wednesday and Thursday, the 14th and 15th, at 8 p.m. at Associated Hebrew Schools on Bathurst St.

Following performance of Yiddish play, The Sages of Chelm, at Leah Posluns Theatre, cast entertains members of Centre for Creative Living at a reception. Senior citizens, together with J.B. Salsberg [left], chairman, Committee on Yiddish, Congress Central Region, were guests of Leonard Mayzel Ontario Lodge B'nai B'rith.

...about people

Seventy-eight-year-old Weston businessman, **Victor Kugler,** who hid Anne Frank and her family in Nazi-occupied Holland during World War II, received the $10,000 Roger E. Joseph Prize from the Jewish Institute of Religion in New York earlier this month. A native Dutchman, he was sent to a concentration camp when the Amsterdam hideout was discovered, along with the Frank family.

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A former president of Temple Sinai, **Leon King,** has been named chairman of the newly formed Toronto Council of Liberal Congregations. The purpose of the council is to act as a forum in which community affairs, vis-a-vis the Reform community, may be discussed. It will operate as a facet of the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations.

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When Prime Minister **Menachem Begin** underwent a complete cardiac examination at the Hadassah Hospital-Hebrew University recently, the three-man cardiology team included Dr. **Robert Corne** of Winnipeg, who is currently on sabbatical at Hebrew U.

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Sorel Park, who was director of the 'Y's Centre for Human Affairs, is now with the planning and development department of Humber College. Her position at the 'Y' has been taken over by **Neil Goldberg,** who has been with the 'Y' for the past five years.

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The new executive director of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University is **Jonathan Livny,** former attorney-general of the West Bank. He officially assumes his new post Aug. 1, headquartered in Montreal, when the former director, **Daniel Ben-Natan,** returns to an administrative position with the university.

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Rabbi S.K. Weinberg

Rabbi **S.K. Weinberg** has been elected national vice-president of the National Conference of Yeshiva Principals. The election took place at the NCYP convention held in South Fallsburg, N.Y., last month, where Eitz Chaim principal gave a presentation of his school's unique enrichment program. The NCYP represents 500 Hebrew day schools in North America.

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Morris Shack is having a one-day, one-man show of about 75 of his classical Oriental watercolors and plexiglass pieces this Sunday, June 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Civic Garden Centre Studio 3, Edwards Gardens.

Senator Keith D. Davey [left] and Canadian Secretary of State, John Roberts [second from right] get together at a recent reception following the Hebrew University benefit performance by Israel's Batsheva Dance Company held at the St. Lawrence Centre. The men were joined by [from left] Dorothy Petrie, Joyce Posluns, Wilfred Posluns, Toronto chapter president of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, and Beverly Roberts.

Israel Bonds announces appointment of women

TORONTO —

Two women leaders have been named to top-level posts in the Toronto Israel Bond organization. Gail Green is the 1978 women's division prime minister's club chairman and Leona Finkler chairs this year's ambassador's society of trustees. The appointments were announced by Sheilah Silverberg, women's division chairman.

Leona Finkler

Gail Green

Eligibility for the prime minister's club is based on the purchase of $25,000 or more in Israel Bonds for 1978. The club was established by former Israeli prime minister, Golda Meir, in 1974.

"Those who enrol," Mrs. Green says, "give significant support to Israel's economic growth and help alleviate the economic hardships. Israelis have long accepted to back their government's economic recovery program."

The ambassador's society of trustees was established in 1976 and is open to purchasers of $10,000 and up to $25,000 in Israel Bonds in a given year. Israel's ambassador to Canada has extended his patronage and sponsorship to the society as a mark of special recognition.

"The Jewish community's awareness of the need for support of Israel must supercede everything," Mrs. Finkler says. "It is up to us to stand by the Israelis with all the resources at our command. Israel Bond's is an excellent way to help them help themselves."

The first function under the combined sponsorship of these divisions will be held on June 21. Aya Dinstein will be the guest speaker at a special luncheon.

School honors mother

TORONTO —

A unique feature of the annual dinner of Associated Hebrew Schools, scheduled for Thursday, June 22, will be the honoring of Rochael Friedberg as the "Associated Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother."

Four generations of the Friedberg family have contributed to Associated, both as students and teachers.

Rochael Friedberg's four daughters, and one son, all attended Associated: Eva Dessen, Lily Lerman, Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg, Sally Zerker and Pearl Hermant.

All of them, at one time or another, had children enrolled at Associated; Serena and Susan Dessen, Deborah, Elissa and Millard Lerman, Esther Friedberg, Stephen, Hyla and Howard Zerker, Shira, Jordan and Avinoam Hermant. The fourth generation is represented in Mayer Pearl, now at nursery.

Serving on the faculty at various times were Mrs. Dessen, Rabbi Friedberg, and Mrs. Hermant. Presently serving on the faculty are Susan Pearl and Hyla Davis.

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Nachman Syrkin helped lay base for ideology of modern-day Israel

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By ROCHELLE CARR

The two ideologies that laid the foundation for Israel were, of course, Zionism and socialism, and in Socialist Zionism no name stands out more than that of Nachman Syrkin.

Born in Mohilev, Belorussia in 1868, young Nachman quickly showed signs of independence of mind. He managed to acquire a deeply-rooted education in Judaism, as well as secular studies at a Russian high school. At 16, when his family moved to Minsk, he joined Hovevei Zion (Lovers of Zion). His activites in that group, as well as his links with various Russian revolutionary groups, led to his brief imprisonment.

Upon his release, he left for London. Until he emigrated to the U.S. in 1907, he spent the intervening years mainly in Switzerland, where he obtained a doctorate in philosophy and in England, Germany and Austria.

While in Berlin, Syrkin, a prolific writer in at least five languages including Hebrew, became one of the founders of the Russian-Jewish Scientific Society. Among the equally poverty-stricken, intellectual emigres from Russia in that group were such future notable Zionists as Chaim Weizmann and Shemaryahu Levin.

In 1904, Syrkin was exiled from Germany because of his activities, but his belief in a Jewish state never wavered. In 1897, Syrkin's Zionist link was firmly established with his attendance at the First Zionist Congress.

But, equally important, at the Second Zionist Congress his socialist beliefs linked him with his Zionist sentiments and the two remained with him until a sudden heart attack felled him in New York in 1924.

Just as he gained the disapproval of Russian and German authorities for sticking firmly to his beliefs, so, too, he was met with displeasure by various Zionists for the ideas he expounded. He neither agreed with Ahad Ha'am's cultural Zionist emphasis, nor with Theodor Herzl's political adherence.

Small, bearded Syrkin talked of a state-owned land, divided into huge areas where several thousand Jews would till the soil and work in industrial projects. Consequently, he reasoned, the type of person who would fit into such a society would come from the masses.

It was those people upon whom he pinned his hopes for the creation and building of a Jewish homeland. And, it was in the combination of socialism and Zionism that Syrkin, whose remains were removed to Israel in 1951, believed a Jewish state would one day triumph.

Burak named chief

TORONTO —

Maimonides College has announced the appointment of Rabbi Moses J. Burak as chancellor of the college for a three-year term.

Burak is spiritual leader of Toronto's historic Polish synagogue, Beth Jacob Congregation, and is well-known as a Talmudic scholar and historian.

Ordained by Ner Israel Rabbinical College of Baltimore, Md., he is a graduate of McMaster University, Ontario College of Education, the University of Richmond, and Dropsie College with a PhD in history.

After ordination, Burak served as rabbi of Toronto's Hebrew Men of England, Beth Jacob Congregation of Hamilton, United Orthodox Synagogue of Norfolk, Va., and B'nai Israel of Logan, Philadelphia. He returned to Canada to serve as chancellor of Ner Israel Yeshiva College of Toronto, principal of Yeshivath Shlomei Emunei Israel, and for the past 16 years as rabbi of Beth Jacob Congregation.

Author of a book on the Hatam Sofer, he is presently working on a Halachic volume.

Burak has been an associate in history and Talmud at Maimonides College since 1975 and was invited to represent Maimonides College as pro-chancellor at the 1977 fall convocation and installation of the chancellor of McMaster University. His wife is the daughter of Hershel Rubenstein, a founder and benefactor of many Jewish educational institutions, including Eitz Chaim Schools and Ner Israel Yeshiva College endeavors.

Four of their daughters are married to well-known rabbis abroad while their youngest daughter is a student at Eitz Chaim Schools in Toronto.

Maimonides College is a university degree granting institution incorporated in 1969. It has been offering a bachelor of arts in Judaica degree program, requiring double major specialization in Judaic and in general studies, with the co-operation of other university and post secondary institutions.

Its graduates have been accepted into university graduate and professional programs, as well as into programs leading to careers in Jewish education and communal social work.

These are some members of the Israeli tennis delegation who will be participating in a tournament on June 18. The event, sponsored by the Canadian Friends of the Israel Tennis Centre, will be held on courts donated by Toronto residents. Shlomo Zoreff [right] and Larry Davidson [background] coach the four Israeli 12-year-old champions.

Tennis tournament set for June 18

TORONTO —

Racquets not Rockets, is the theme for this year's tennis tournament, sponsored by the Canadian Friends of the Israel Tennis Centre, which will take place on Sunday, June 18 at the home of Gilda Tanz, 11 Highpoint Rd. Fifteen private tennis courts within a three-block radius, have been donated for the day.

The highlight of the tournament will be an exhibition match by four young boys from Israel, 11 to 12 years old, who were taught to play tennis at the Israel Tennis Centre in Ramat Hasharon.

These boys will be touring the United States and Canada with Ian Froman, the executive director of the tennis centre. They will demonstrate their tennis exercises and skills at over 35 exhibitions, meetings and tennis parties, held from New York, to Seattle and Toronto.

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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Naso

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A Vilna merchant visited Reb Yoshe Ber Soloveichik of Brisk. Upon parting, Reb Yoshe Ber said: "Give my regards to the Jews without houses..."

Seeing that the man looked perplexed, he explained: "In the Psalms we say:

'Ye house of Aaron, bless ye the L-rd;
Ye house of Levi, bless ye the L-rd.'

But when it comes to the **Yirai Hashem,** those who truly revere G-d, it says simply:

'Ye who fear the L-rd, bless ye the L-rd.'

"There's no mention of a 'house'. Why? But it's to teach us, when it comes to serving G-d, there's no houses or dynasties. It's each man for himself" (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

Many things can be inherited, money, yichus, Kohain Levi, **Galicyaner.** But to fear the L-rd, there are no exclusives. You can come from the great ynasty and throw it all away. Or you can come from the least observant, and become the greatst tzadik.

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It's interesting, though...when he gives the blessing, although there may be 100 people in front of him, he uses the singular form of the Hebrew, not the plural. Imagine! All these Jews in front of him, and he uses only the singular form. Why?

But it teaches...the only way a blessing can take hold on the Jewish people is when they hold themselves in the singular, united, harmonious. But when they split themselves into little groups, arguing, bickering, petty — what good are all the blessings? There is no place for them to land, to take hold!

You can't stay alone — but especially so when it comes to praying to G-d.

Davening is incredibly important. The Holy Ari teaches that in these latter days, before the Messiah appears, the main service of the Jewish people is tefilla, prayer.

You don't have to wait for Rosh Hashana to go to shul, or not even Sabbath. Every shul is open morning and evening, seven-days-a-week. And especially these days, when **mincha-maariv** is so late, every Jew should take a jog down to shul and grab **a kedusha, a barechu.**

Even more. Davening without **kavana,** feeling, is a dead davening. A Jew should try to daven with kavana at least once a week, real burning fervor, and then all the deadbeat prayers of the whole week which were like a bird without wings, will ascend on the wings of this one **labidicke** service.

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A misnagid chided a Chassid. "We are superior. After prayers we learn the sacred mishneh, while you all go to drink schnopps."

The Chassid responded. "Your davening is dead — and for the dead it's customary to study mishneh. Our davening is alive and for the living, a little schnopps is good."

May our davening be alive, laibidicke, drunk with G-d. Shabbat Shalom.

Pioneer director of community institution

Library to be renamed for Frankel

By Rabbi Z. Wolkenstein

TORONTO —

Toronto's Jewish Public Library will be renamed for its late pioneer director, Rabbi Israel Frankel, at a public ceremony June 25 at 11 at the library building, 22 Glen Park. The new full name will be the Israel Frankel Jewish Public Library of Toronto.

Dr. Frankel, who passed on in December, 1977 after serving as JPL director for 20 years, left the stamp of his warm personality and love of people and books on the hearts of thousands of library users over the years.

People who knew him have spoken repeatedly in glowing terms about this unique man whose work at the library was not just a profession, but his life.

His generous spirit endowed the library with its orientation to serve general Jewish reading needs in every segment of the Jewish and total community. His personal understanding of the requirements of scholarship impelled him to make the library into a prime place for research.

Dr. Frankel's long-range plan for building the library emerges clearly in retrospect. He designed it to simultaneously meet both the broad and specific requirements of the community. For example, he saw to the needs of young people with the establishment of an excellent children's section. At the same time, he sought to provide mass adult education through library-sponsored public lectures.

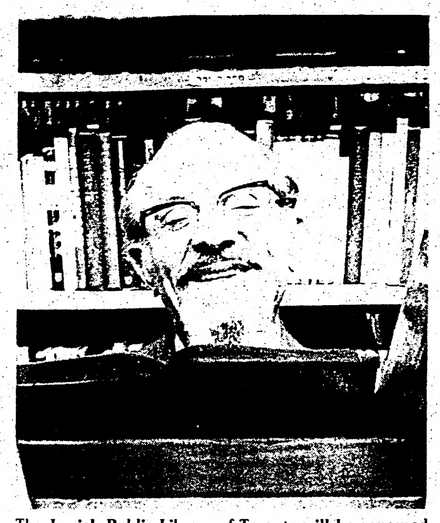
Every shade of general interest in fiction or non-fiction, and the needs of specific age groups were represented on the shelves of the JPL.

The job was often a triple one, since his continuous policy was to build in all categories — English, Yiddish and Hebrew. In creating the research facility, Dr. Frankel took the position that the library must provide the researcher with access to the authentic original source material.

To meet this mandate he developed excellent and complete sections of classical and modern scholarly and special reference works. Numerous theses were written within the walls of the library and copies of many of these were acquired as part of the permanent collection.

Dr. Frankel himself always set the example, not only with his extraordinary patience for and interest in every researcher's problem, but by his own published work.

His personal doctoral thesis at Trinity College, Dublin, was a meticulously researched, powerful statement on the interpretive methodology employed in classical Jewish sources such as Talmud and Midrash. Only by a stroke of providence did Dr. Frankel find himself in the British Isles at the outbreak of World War II instead of his native Styrji, Poland. He was a direct descendant in the seventh generation of the founder of Chassidism, Rabbi Israel Baal Shem Tov, not to mention at least four other illustrious, if less universally-known rabbinic forebearers. In his own rabbinic studies in earlier life, Dr. Frankel acquired two separate ordinations of a special high kind.



The Jewish Public Library of Toronto will be renamed for its pioneer director, Rabbi Israel Frankel, June 25.

The respect for learning which he conveyed to so many who came into the library was also instilled in his own family. Both a son and the chatan (financee) of his youngest daughter have received rabbinical ordination and are currently writing theses in Judaica at major universities.

Dr. Frankel created the concept of a Jewish Public Library in Toronto where the general public, Jewish and non-Jewish, seeking popular or scholarly information, or just reading pleasure, can come in confidence. It is fitting that his altruistic spirit will remain with the library through the joining of his name to that of the unique public institution he labored to build.

The June 25 ceremony will also include a memorial service in memory of Dr. Frankel, Alav Ha Shalom, and the unveiling of the new name plate of the library by his wife, Faigie Frankel. The general community is invited.

Rabbi Wolkenstein is the new director of the library.

Stamp exhibition offers chance to view collection of Judaica

stamps

By CHAIM YEHUDA

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The Canadian International Philatelic Exhibition, CAPEX '78, is being held in the Automotive Building at the Canadian National Exhibition grounds until June 18.

This is the second time that Canada has hosted an international exhibition, the last time in 1951.

There will be many interesting exhibits including Israel and Judaica collections. Meetings of the Canadian Association for Israel Philately and the Society of Israel Philatelists are scheduled.

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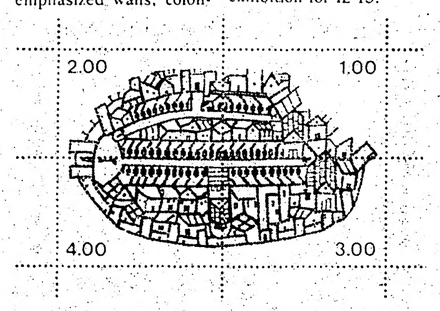
In order to mark the national exhibition in Israel, a souvenir sheet was released April 23 showing Jerusalem as depicted from the Madaba mosaic map. This is the earliest representation of a map of Eretz Israel yet discovered.

This map was sketched as from a high point like an aerial photograph, with emphasized walls, colonnaded streets and the facades of buildings. Mountains are outlined in pastel-tinted cubes separated by black lines along the valleys, and water is indicated by blue and brown waves. Fish are shown in the rivers and boats in the Dead Sea.

There are four stamps in the souvenir sheet, which is multicolored against a grey background. It was printed by photolithography by E. Lewin-Epstein Ltd. and comb-perforated 14. The face value of this sheet is IL 10, although it was sold at the exhibition for IL 15.



Fund raises $100,000

TORONTO —

A reception was held at Beth Tzedec Synagogue last week, celebrating the successful completion of the first-year activities of the United Synagogue Ontario Region Education Fund. Six Toronto Conservative congregations cooperated in mutual support of their congregational schools and the United Synagogue Day School: Adath Israel, Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, Beth Sholom, Beth Tikvah and Beth Tzedec.

Nearly $100,000 was distributed at the reception.

Marvin Miller, vice president of the Ontario Region, presided. Guest speaker was Eli Grad, dean of the Hebrew College at Brookline, Mass.

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Organizations and People

Allan Offman [right], selected 1978 UJA Man of the Year, is shown with Tubby Cole, retiring campaign chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and Prime Minister Trudeau at the recent campaign closing dinner held at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. Offman was deputy chairman of the 1978 United Jewish Appeal campaign.

Libraries purchase Yiddish books

By Anne Medres Glass

TORONTO —

It was a simple transaction. Following the gigantic first annual Jewish Book Fair held in Toronto last November, or, as we would say in Yiddish, "Noch'n yarid", a certain quantity of Yiddish books were left unsold.

Instead of sending them back to the authors or publishers who submitted them, Bess Shockett, then secretary of the committee for Yiddish of Canadian Jewish Congress, thought it would be a good idea to offer them for sale to the public libraries of Metropolitan Toronto. Surely in this city with a Jewish population of 120,000, there must be sufficient interest and demand for Yiddish books on the part of the Yiddish-reading public.

A list of titles of the remaining volumes was drawn up and forwarded to a number of libraries asking if they would avail themselves of this opportunity to increase their collection of books in the Yiddish language.

The response was indeed encouraging. North York Public Library was pleased to purchase every book on the list, paying the list price for which they were on sale at the book fair.

The University of Toronto Library, now housed in the huge Robarts building on St. George St., also ordered each one of these titles to add to their collection of Judaica.

Among the books thus sold were several by Canadian Yiddish authors, including Melech Ravitch, Rochel Korn, Yehuda Elberg, Jacob Zipper, Sholem Shtern, Yeshayah Rabinovitch, S. Dunski, Peretz Miransky, S. Mitzmacher, N. Shemen and Israel Shtern.

The Robarts Library already possesses a sizeable stock of Yiddish books and periodicals. Just recently it purchased the entire set of **Selected Works of Yiddish Literature** published by YIVO (Jewish Scientific Research Institute) in Argentina. This series, edited by Samuel Rozhansky, comprises more than 70 volumes of Yiddish literature, from its beginnings to the present time, including major works in prose and poetry, anthologies, dramas, novels and essays by Yiddish writers from Europe, North and South America, South Africa, Australia, Canada and Israel.

Of special interest is the fact that these books have been put to use this year in a credit course in Yiddish literature. Thanks to a donation made by Dr. and Mrs. Aaron Posen of Toronto to the University of Toronto Library of a complete 70-volume set of the same series, the Robarts Library now owns two sets of the selected works. This generous gift of the Posen family made it possible for students to borrow books for home use, as a result of which they were able to do independent reading and complete major essay assignments on a chosen author.

Diaspora Jews delude themselves, Gush Emunim member asserts

By ROCHELLE CARR

TORONTO —

Diasporic Jews display a penchant for self-delusion, a member of the chauvinistic Gush Emunim movement says.

Yedidya Atlas, who lives in the West Bank settlement of Elon Moreh, said Jews outside of Israel who tend to be critical of the Israeli prime minister are not fully aware that the future of Jewry everywhere is inextricably linked with the future of Israel.

The 25-year-old former Philadelphian declared:

"They must understand that Israel belongs to them, was given to them by God as stated in the Bible and does not rest on decisions of Jimmy Carter or UN resolutions. Gush Emunim is not a religious movement, but is based on an appreciation of traditional ties of the Jewish people to its land. Many members are not religious and some may even be anti-religious," he said.

Yedidya Atlas

Though the election of Menachem Begin as leader of the country was "like a breath of fresh air," Atlas admitted that Gush Emunim does not agree with his concept for Palestinian self-rule in the occupied West Bank.

He explained it was dangerous to have "a state within a state."

Atlas said Gush Emunim's settlement in the occupied areas were here to stay, and he speculated that the downfall of the former ruling Labor Party was caused partly by the movement.

He said Gush Emunim was not an obstacle to peace but "an answer to peace." He cited his own outpost as an example. At first, the Arabs in the 11 villages surrounding Elon Moreh were apprehensive. "They have come to realize that we are not like the propaganda told to them and we are now called to fix their TV sets, and our doctors make house calls to Arab villages," he said.

To date, he explained, most settlements are in Judea and Samaria, but, following their motto of living on all the land, the 4,000 settlers (there is a waiting list of 6,000 to 7,000) have made beginnings in other less contentious parts of the country.

He finds revival of Judaism in travelling through France

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Sam Brownstone, executive director of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre, on a recent visit to France, was impressed by a strong revival of Judaism there.

Brownstone and his Paris-born wife, Odette, spent three weeks in France visiting relatives. It was his first trip since 1967 and he reports noticing a distinct change in atmosphere.

In 1967 — he was there at the time of the Six Day war — no one would have had a mezuza on the street side of a door. Today, he says, even stores have them.

"The Jews have come out into the open," he notes and tells how he and his wife took part in a Warsaw Ghetto memorial march, when 22,000 Jews, each carrying a lit candle, walked from the city hall to the Memorial du Martyr Juif Inconnu for a program of remembrance. And when the Brownstones left Paris, preparations were under way for a mammoth Israel Independence Day march and celebration in which, he heard later, 150,000 Jews participated.

Compared with what he saw on his earlier visit, "there is a total contrast in feeling towards Israel and certainly towards Judaism."

Concerned about reports of increasing anti-Semitism, Brownstone made a point of enquiring about it but was assured "there is no more anti-Semitism than in North America."

There may be "small pockets here and there," he was told and although no one denies that there is some anti-Semitism, neither does anyone seem to be unduly concerned. "And I certainly did not see any graffiti, swastikas or slogans on the walls, as in North America."

What impressed Brownstone particularly were the two Jewish community centres in Paris, both new since his previous visit.

The Central Rachi — Maison des Universitaires Juifs de Paris — is a student centre offering complete programs of Jewish studies, lectures and seminars ranging from Bible study, Talmud and Hebrew to a course on the woman in Hebrew literature and psychoanalysis and Judaism.

It offers conferences and debates on Jewish topics, a library, exhibitions, music, art and dance programs, all sorts of entertainments and celebrations of Jewish holidays. The centre has a cafeteria and a restaurant — "one of two places in Paris where one can get Passover meals" — and on the day Brownstone visited, "it was being scrubbed in preparation for Pesach."

The Centre Communautaire, Maison des Jeunes, is a family centre much like those we know here. In the brochure activities are listed from A to Z beginning with Aliya, Anglais, Bar Mitzva, and Bible.

The centre also has three synagogues, a restaurant and offers festive Holy Day as well as Shabbat dinners.

Sam Brownstone, executive-director of Hamilton JCC

Both centres are closely linked to the international branch of the Jewish Welfare Board in New York which assists with advice, programing and so on. But in contrast to centres here, Brownstone was astonished to discover that they rely on "a mass of volunteers, with only one full-time staff person and a couple of part-time program people" at each centre.

10 Canadians awarded degrees

NEW YORK —

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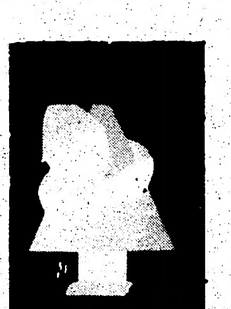

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Arts

Big anthology brings unusual material to us

book review

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Big Jewish Book
Edited by Jerome Rothenberg with Harris Lenowitz And Charles Doria
Doubleday & Co. $14.95

This giant anthology of "poems and other visions of the Jews from tribal times to the present" is unlike any previous such work. It is calculated to surprise, exasperate, confound and shock.

Jerome Rothenberg has been a pioneer in the attempt to unearth the mythic and mystic aspects of world poetry. He believes that what is basic and central to the poetry of our time is little changed from the earliest poetry we know — that of the shaman-poets whose visionary use of song and speech goes as far back as the Old Stone Age. For him, the poet is the bearer of an alternative approach to life. In the midst of a structured and conformist culture he dips his bucket into the wells of long-forgotten waters to remind us of "magic, myth and dreams, earth, nature, orgy and love."

The editor, with the help of two assistants who are knowledgeable in Hebrew and Greek, has culled his material from such diverse sources as the Kabbala; from the poetry of little-known groups that have always been regarded as outside the mainstream of tradition: Essenes, Samaritans, Karaites, Falashas, Chinese Jews, etc.; from the visionary poetry of the early Jewish-Christians and gnostics of the first century of the Common Era; from medieval liturgical poets called the paytanim whose work remains largely unknown, and from more traditional sources such as Bible, Talmud, Midrash and Zohar. A group of modern poets, both well-known and unsung, have been included to help "uncover the inner structure and actual boundaries of the mind."

Taking into account the extraordinary historical and geographical experience of the Jews, the editor has included translations from the Hebrew, Aramaic, Yiddish, and Ladino, as well as from the Greek, Spanish, Arabic, Persian, etc.

The 200 selections, grouped into three large categories, are supplemented by editorial comments, as well as by a helpful section on the source and origin of the diverse readings.

A poem by Isaac Luria rubs shoulders with a fragment from Franz Kafka, the words of Ibn Gabirol are set next to the outpourings of Allen Ginsberg and Lewis Zukofsky, medieval talismans and fifth century incantations are side by side with children's songs from Morocco.

The result of this eclectic mishmash is startling. Even those who are steeped in Jewish knowledge and literature will find this collage a largely new and unfamiliar world.

Most readers, I am sure, would be willing to forego the oral and sound poems, and most of the material that is highly convoluted, and only remotely Jewish. Such excisions would have made for a tighter and more useful work. However, **A Big Jewish Book** is a laudable and largely successful effort to bring unusual Jewish material to our attention for evaluation and appreciation.

(David Groskind photo)

Ontario Attorney-General Roy McMurtry thanks Israel Ambassador Mordechai Shalev for gift of 30th anniversary medallion. It was presented to him at Ontario Place Forum during recent Israel Day. Others from left are: Boris Brott, Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra conductor; John Maxwell, director-general of Ontario Place; Max Goody, chairman of Israel Day, and Phil Stone, the emcee.

$200,000 worth of art sold

TORONTO — Joel K. Slater, national president of the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation, has announced that approximately $200,000 worth of art was sold during the Israel Art Festival held in Ottawa and Toronto in May.

The festival brought to Canada the largest quantity of Israeli art ever to be sent abroad in celebration of the 30th anniversary.

Participating gallery owners report that there were many out of town visitors, particularly from the United States, as well as busloads of people from nearby cities.

The festival has paved the way for a number of one-man shows in the future. Several galleries have expressed a strong interest in showing the work of artists such as Russian-trained Yevgeny Abeshaus, Aharon April and Maris Bischofs, and avant-garde artists Michael Eiseman and Yoram Rozov. Art lovers may look forward to seeing more of Aharon Bezalel's sculptures, the distinctive work of Castel, Shavit and others.

The festival received wide media coverage and the art was critically well-received.

In its continuing effort to facilitate cultural exchange, the CICF will sponsor the return of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra to Montreal and Toronto in September.

Under the baton of Charles Dutoit, musical director of the Montreal Symphony Orchestra, the Israel Philharmonic will perform at Place des Arts Sept. 9 and at Massey Hall Sept. 10.

Ticket reservations may be made by calling 934-0804 in Montreal and 921-3103 in Toronto.

Plans are now being completed for the first Music and Art Tour to Israel in mid-October, led by Elizabeth Plaut.

On the fall agenda of the CICF is a photographic exhibit "The Will To Survive", opening at the National Archives Building in Ottawa, Oct. 27, with subsequent showings in other cities.

The CICF provides support to cultural institutions in Israel and scholarships for talented students of the arts who need help to further their training.

Tribute to Ephraim Rosenberg

music

By RICK KARDONNE

The most beautiful and fitting tribute to the late Cantor Ephraim F. Rosenberg of Beth Sholom, whose untimely death in Israel last February saddened us all, was rendered at Beth Sholom on the eve of Yom Ha'atzmaut.

All of the five performing cantors were outstanding, and each one brought to this memorable event his own particular style. Cantor Jacob Mendelson of Flushing, N.Y., represented the more modern, straight-forward approach, with emphasis on dramatic volume in a semi-operatic milieu. This approach was most effective in his performance of M. Ganchaff's **Tamachti Yeseidosay**.

Cantor Paul Zim, now on his own, represents the contemporary populistic approach at its best. He displayed his fluid versatility in both his dramatic rendition of Millner's **In Cheder**, in which he portrayed both the dominating teacher and the initially eager but timid student, and the cantorial work **Eilu Devorim**.

His concluding number of the evening, **Can you Answer Me?** (lyrics by professor and comedian Seymour Kleinman set to music from Verdi's **La Traviata**) was a simply-stated, but effectively universal, song of Jewish survival and triumph.

The more traditional styles were represented by the contrasting approaches of Cantors Isaac Goodfriend of Atlanta and Sholem Katz of Washington.

Goodfriend represented Yiddishkeit pathos through his deep-timber, baritone voice which always had just a tinge of reflectiveness.

This reflectiveness became the most subtle yet ultimately powerful mourning in his performance of the Yiddish Holocaust song, **Under the Little Polish Green Trees.** It resulted in a bit of whimsical irony in Secunda's **Mentchn mir Veln Bentchn,** while in his liturgical number, T. Greenberg's **V'li Yerushalayim Ircha**, Goodfriend infused new dimensions into an already-interesting vocal timbre.

Cantor Sholem Katz, on the other hand, represented the spirit of rich, full, epic grandeur, the same spirit which epitomizes Cantor Misha Alexandrovich. Although Katz does not quite have the same velvet quality Alexandrovich possesses in softer passages, his clear baritone contains its own remarkable range of emotion. He demonstrated sheer power in the climactic passages of J. Rappaport's **Modim Anachnu Loch** and an almost carefree, confident joviality in his rendition of Secunda songs.

And Cantor Louis Danto of Toronto displayed his own style of the full, high tenor caress, in **T'eka B'Shofar**, which he co-authored with J. Lind.

The spectacular concert was ultimately a tribute to the late Cantor Ephraim F. Rosenberg. And what could have been more appropriate, and more poignantly powerful, than the playback of one of his last tapes, presented by Zim, himself a student and protegé of this liturgical giant who enhanced and enlightened Toronto for the last 10 years of his fruitful, remarkable life?

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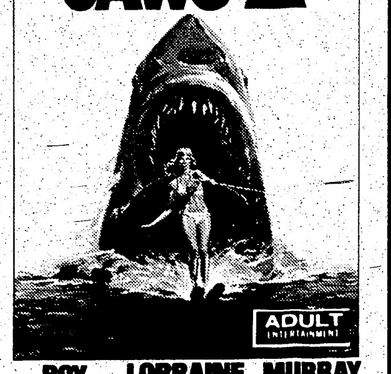

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Organizations and People

Charming child of nine years up for adoption

TORONTO —

Sarah is a charmer with a winsome smile. The nine-year-old girl loves play acting, is cheerful, co-operative and enthusiastic. She is also one of six "hard to place" children with physical or emotional handicaps who are up for adoption under the auspices of the Jewish Family and Child Service.

Born with Down's Syndrome, or mongolism, she is healthy, but below average in ability. JF&CS has a seven-year waiting list for normal babies, says the senior co-ordinator of child service at the agency, Diane Kemp, but for handicapped children placements are difficult to find.

Other children up for adoption at the agency have hemophilia, spina bifida, Down's, or emotional disturbances. "A hard to place child needs a family with a lot to give," says Ms. Kemp, "and that means pretty special people."

Sarah now is living in a special institution where she has been all her life. She has none of the heart or digestive problems that sometimes affect children with Down's Syndrome. Well co-ordinated, she loves physical activity, uses playground equipment well, enjoys square dancing and playing in the water.

A gregarious child, she can readily join in family activities and needs a mother and father who are willing to return her natural affection.

To inquire about Sarah or the other children, contact Ms. Kemp or Barbara Happy, adoption co-ordinator, at JF&CS.

Prime Minister Menachem Begin listens intently as Jacob Egit, leader of the recent Toronto Histadrut delegation to Israel, reports on the purpose of the mission and the functions performed by the delegation. Seated to the prime minister's left is his personal friend, Nathan Silver, formerly of Toronto and Clara Egit. Begin expressed appreciation for participation of Canadian Jews in Israeli endeavors.

Delegation received by Begin

TORONTO —

In a comprehensive tour of the country, the Toronto Histadrut delegation to Israel visited many sites and institutions, including settlements, kibbutzim and moshavim, and was received by Prime Minister Begin.

The group participated as well in the official dedication of five major projects established with the help of the Israel Histadrut Campaign: the Dr. Samuel B. Hurwich Investigative and X-Ray Department in the Jerusalem Diagnostic Hospital; the Moshe Wajsfelner Medical Centre in Rehovot; a cultural centre in Kibbutz Gadot sponsored by the United Organizations for Histadrut and women's council; the Sam and Molly Rotman Synagogue in Moshav Eshtaol and the Rose Sharp Library in Holon.

Project sponsors and leaders were honorees at four banquets addressed by Yigal Allon; Israel Kessar, deputy secretary-general of Histadrut and Gershon Winer.

At a luncheon reception in Kibbutz Tel Itzhak, the delegation was witness to the progress of the Massuah Project, which was established with the help of the Massuah committee in Toronto, under the leadership of Alex Grossman.

In Tel Aviv delegates were invited to a concert at city hall square, where Zuba Mehta conducted the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and also to a reception at city hall tendered by the mayor of Tel Aviv.

Among the highlights of the many activities in which they took part was a visit to the new Museum of The Jewish Diaspora, and an evening spent at the residence of Emma Shaver at a reception organized by the Yiddish Cultural Association.

The culminating event of the tour was the reception in the prime minister's office, when Begin expressed appreciation for the participation of Canadian Jewry in the the upbuilding of Israel and his hopes for the achievement of a lasting peace in the Middle East.

Training program accepts first Canadian recruit

TORONTO —

A member of the United Jewish Appeal campaign staff is the first Canadian to be accepted in the federation executive recruitment and education program, specifically designed to train future executives for major positions with Jewish communal organizations.

Norman Saiger, 26, was awarded a scholarship in the program which was initiated in 1972 by the Council of Jewish Federations, based in New York. Since then a maximum of 12, carefully-selected candidates have been granted scholarships annually for the two-year course in one of the six participating schools.

Involved in the training program are: Brandeis University, Boston; Yeshiva University, New York; Baltimore Institute (a combined program of the University of Maryland and Baltimore Hebrew College); Case-Western Reserve, Cleveland; Washington University, St. Louis, and the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. The two latter schools have a combined program with the Los Angeles Hebrew Union College.

The course will be available at the University of Toronto beginning in the fall of 1979.

Toronto-born Saiger has been on the UJA staff for the past two years as the professional in charge of youth and student campaigns and also as walk-athon co-ordinator. He attended the Hebrew University in Jerusalem for one year before receiving his BA from the University of Toronto. In 1973 he went to Israel as a volunteer worker on a kibbutz and also worked as a co-ordinator of student programing.

Norman Saiger

Saiger leaves Toronto at the end of the month to begin his two-year course at the University of Southern California.

Allen Juris, Toronto Jewish Congress budget director and co-ordinator of leadership development, who joined the TJC staff two years ago, is a graduate of the federation recruitment training program.

Lodge to honor BB's Sam Brown

TORONTO —

Sam Brown will be honored by B'nai B'rith's Yorkdale Lodge 2485, for his support of the Israel Bond program at a tribute dinner June 28 at Beth Tzedec Congregation. Guest speaker will be Moshe Kol, Israel's former minister of tourism.

Sam Brown

Kol was named minister of tourism in 1966 and was responsible for expanding tourist facilities throughout Israel during the boom years following the Six Day War. Today, tourism is Israel's fastest growing source of foreign exchange.

One of the original signators to Israel's declaration of independence, he was also a founder of Yad Vashem, Israel's memorial to the six million Jews who perished under the Nazis.

Sam Cohen dies

TORONTO —

Sam Cohen, president of College Memorial Chapel for over three decades, died this week at the Mount Sinai Hospital. He was 80.

Affiliated with the chapel, now known as Steeles-College Memorial, for over 40 years, Cohen devoted countless hours as a volunteer to the co-operative, which has over 50 synagogue and society affiliates.

He was still its president last year, as the chapel, formed in 1927 as the Toronto Hebrew Burial Parlor, celebrated its 50th anniversary.

A great-grandfather, he also served as president of the Folks Farein. He was president of the Keltzer Synagogue, the Histadrut and the Sons of Jacob Benevolent Society. Cohen acted as chairman of the Creative Living Centre's senior mens group.

He is survived by his wife Miriam, daughters Sarah Zalken and Gertrude Zack of Toronto and son, Albert of Israel.

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Minorities group's objectives awaited

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Leaders of the Montreal Jewish community are waiting to see what directions a proposed federation of minorities, presently under formation in Quebec, will take before making any decision on what possible role Jews could have in such a body.

An unprecedented meeting of 114 individuals and representatives of some 20 ethnic groups from 80 organizations attended a one-day symposium last month held at Concordia University to discuss the advisability of creating a province-wide federation, or council, of minority associations in Quebec.

Two "observers" were sent from the Jewish community — Mike Yarosky, executive-director of the Jewish Community Research Institute, and Phil Aspler, assistant director of community relations of Canadian Jewish Congress.

McGill law professor Irwin Cotler, although he did not attend the meeting, was elected to a 19-member ad hoc committee that will draw up plans for the structure, activities and objectives of a federation. There were also a number of other Jews who came as individuals.

Though the unity group, Positive Action, played a major role in organizing the symposium, 27-year-old lawyer Eric Maldoff has been the prime mover behind the minority federation idea.

Maldoff is quick to point out that, whatever form the federation eventually takes, it will not seek a confrontation with the Parti Quebecois. "We are not a political grouping nor are we mounting a platform for Canadian unity. Hopefully our basic aims will be to improve the quality of life in Quebec for minorities."

For the purposes of the symposium, a minority was defined as falling into the following categories: ethnic, rural, social action, native, urban, health and social services, and education. However, most who attended came from mainly English-speaking ethnic groups, including Greeks, Italians and Germans.

An initial meeting in November found a consensus among representatives from over 30 minority associations that there was a need for some kind of federation, Maldoff said.

"The idea is that there are problems common to a lot of groups in adapting to a changing Quebec. By getting together we may be able to formulate common strategies, rather than duplicate our efforts."

He criticized the "lack of leadership" among minorities in Quebec, saying there has been an "ominous silence and quiet desperation as we watch young people and business leaving."

Frank Schlesinger, chairman of the Community Relations Committee of CJC, commented that "if the federation is going to be apolitical and not involve itself in the referendum — in other words has similar objectives as CJC such as the defence of individual, community and religious rights — the Jewish community may have a valuable role to play.

"Historically, Jews have been resistant to tying themselves to other people's aspirations because, ultimately, they may not be the same...The future goals of the federation will have to be made clear. We will then take it to the community and make a decision at that level."

Hillel Becker, president of Allied Jewish Community Services, said that the federation's aims, especially in the area of politics, would have to be defined before the Jewish community could consider involving itself.

"One of the tricky areas is whether the federation would deal with so-called Jewish issues or issues that are of equal interest to Jews as to any other group."

Cotler, who stressed that he was not the "Jewish" representative on the committee but spoke as an individual, was careful in his comments on a federation of minorities.

"If the federation is perceived as part of the national unity debate, the Jewish community may find itself aligned with a collective ideology it may not want to take...

"If the federation confines itself to the exploration of minority rights and the furthering of minority participation in the province, then I think the community has a role to play. This is something the government should be interested in fostering too."

Topics discussed at the initial meeting in the workshops included emigration from the province, the future of education, health and social services, and the lack of minorities in the Quebec civil service.

Dr. Norman W. Shaul [centre] presents executive members of Stopnitzer Young Men's Benevolent Association with an honor scroll on behalf of Israel Bonds. Others [from left] are Al Speigal, secretary; Morris Wagner, first vice president; Carl Mahler, president, and Jack Grossberg, financial secretary.

Dollar squeeze

MONTREAL [Staff] — Institutions of higher learning in Israel may suffer financially because of the package sale of U.S. F-15 fighter planes to Saudi Arabia, Avraham Harman, president of the Hebrew University, said in an interview here recently.

Harman reasons that because of the shift in military power as a result of the deal, Israel will have to make more expenditures on defence. Higher education, already hard hit by budget cuts, may be one of the areas to be forced to tighten its belt further.

"Speaking as a private citizen, I feel there must be a great deal of reappraisal in Israel in regard to its defence position. Saudi Arabia has been involved in fighting Israel on two occasions — in 1948 and 1973. These were land units. Now we must address ourselves to the implication of Saudi air power."

Harman added that what concerned him, as president of Israel's oldest university and chairman of a committee of heads of institutions of higher learning in Israel, was the probable need of having to spend more of the country's resources on defence rather than on social and educational programs.

In addition to coping with a 35% drop in the purchasing value of the Israeli pound, the universities are worse off because they must import much of their materials, especially English-language books which have soared in price from North America. The universities are also heavy consumers of oil, not only for heating, but for use in the experimental sciences, he noted.

The British-born, veteran diplomat is on an extensive tour of the United States for Hebrew University. He stopped over in Montreal for a one-day visit. No stranger to Montreal, Harman was the first Israel consul-general here from 1949-50, when diplomatic relations opened between Canada and the new state.

Brantford, Chatham launch UIA drive

The annual United Israel Appeal campaign meeting held recently in Brantford was addressed by Albert Goldberg, director of the Israel Aliyah Centre in Toronto.

Commenting on the recent sale of F-15 planes to Saudi Arabia, he said that "balance of power arguments are irrelevant — those planes are meant to kill Jews."

Campaign chairman Leon Rotberg announced that by the evening's end almost 50% of the campaign goal had been reached. Rotberg and his committee are beginning to canvass the rest of the Brantford Jewish community and anticipate a speedy completion of the campaign.

The Chatham campaign was launched on May 31 at a community meeting held at the Children of Jacob Centre.

The gathering was addressed by Abe Tooch, special emissary from Israel, who outlined the background to recent events in the Middle East.

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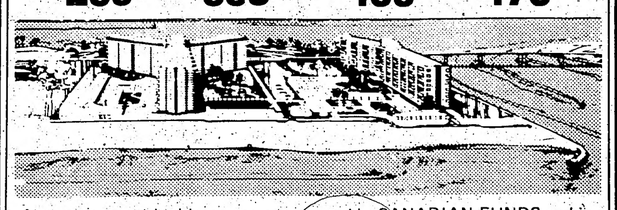

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Renovated kitchen. Oversize bedrooms, central air, broadloom throughout. Expensive drapes & wallpaper. Immaculate move-in condition! Priced to sell! B. Jesin, 633-7777.

Palm Dr. Area
Deluxe Bungalow
Custom built 3 bedroom. Ultra family kitchen, walkout to patio. Party sized dining & living rooms. Master ensuite, finished lower level, double garage, central air. Thousands in extras! Rose Stone, 633-7777.

Bathurst-Neptune
Luxury Condo
$49,900. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bathrooms, kitchen with daylight ceiling. Self-contained laundry room. Pool, sauna, air conditioned. Evelyn Pollock, 633-7777.

Bathurst-Reiner
3 Bedroom Bungalow
$20,000 down. One open mtge. Enormous lot! Modern kitchen, attached garage. Partially finished large basement. Excellent value! Ruth Trachter, 633-7777.

Wilson-Bathurst
2 Storey
Charming, bright, large 3 bedroom home. 3 washrooms, finished basement. Central air, all appliances. Easy financing! Lynda Stoneman, 633-7777.

Luxury Six-Plex
3 Bedrooms
Owner occupied, reliable tenants, excellent condition. Bathrooms ensuite. Located in prime area, close to shopping, TTC, schools. Beautiful building! Buddy Rotenberg, 633-7777.

Bathurst-Lawrence
4 Bedrooms
Solid brick, 1½ storey. Master bedroom on main floor with ensuite. Nice family room, 4 car parking, plus garage. Price reduced! Nat Stein, 633-7777.

Wilmington-Brighton
New Listing!
$109,000. 3 bedroom bungalow, new kitchen, basement apt. plus rec. room. New roof. Oversized double electrically equipped garage. M. Jacobs, 633-7777.

Bathurst-York Downs
$89,900. 2 storey, 3 bedrooms. Steps to Bathurst. Basement apt. Central air, new roof, beautifully decorated! Clare Kane, 633-7777.

Lyonsgate-Bathurst
1st Time Offered
Deluxe two storey. Ultra kitchen, large living & dining rooms, 3 spacious bedrooms, central air, finished basement. Exquisite decor! Rose Simon, 633-7777.

Rose Hersh Ltd., Realtor

Harvey Kalles 226-9440 REALTOR

North "Y" — Bathurst
Gorgeous Pool
$210,000. Backsplit 4 bedroom, large kitchen, elegant living and dining rooms, spectacular family room and den with walkout, finished rec room and maid's room. Bea Estrin, 226-9440.

Bayview-Steeles
New Listing!
$164,900. 6 bedrooms on upper level, main floor family and laundry rooms, fabulous rec room with walkout. Very well maintained. Joan Grant, 226-9440.

Bathurst-Finch
Ravine Lot — $199,000
5 bedrooms, 2 storey, truly an elegant home with spacious principal rooms, main floor laundry and family room, walkout from beautiful finished lower level, 4 washrooms. Anne Kirshenbaum, 226-9440

Wilmington-Overbrooke
Owners Have Bought
$119,000. Stone front split level Hollywood kitchen, spacious living and dining rooms, 3 bedrooms, 2 car garage, 3 washrooms, finished—basement. Bea Estrin, 226-9440.

Banbury-Heathcote
$179,900 — New Listing
Beautiful 4 bedroom executive home, original owner, large kitchen, pine panelled main floor family room. Decorated for the young at heart. Hillary Cohen or Bea Estrin, 226-9440.

Bathurst-Sheppard
$110,000. Solid brick 6 room bungalow, master bedroom has ensuite. Completely finished self-contained basement apartment, large eat-in kitchen, central air. Many extras. Move-in condition. Carol Sherkin, 226-9440.

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Bayview-York Mills
Just Reduced
$189,000. Ranch bungalow, gracious stone front, 4 bedrooms, main floor library, circular drive, completely finished lower level, magnificent lot plus in-ground pool. Joan Grant, 226-9440.

Old English Lane
New Listing — $599,000
Indoor pool plus tennis courts. Dramatically different. Architecturally designed, double height beamed ceilings, magnificent dream kitchen, separate maid's quarters. Charming home on 1½ acres. Landscaped property with stream. Lee Landsberg, 226-9440.

York Mills-Leslie
Just Listed — $228,000
Most exciting custom contemporary 2 storey, 4 bedroom finished basement, pool, private garden. Don't miss viewing this home. Michelle Noar or Honey Rose, 226-9440.

Denlow Executive—$189,900
5 Bedrooms, Inground Pool
Large family home, with 5 extra large bedrooms, huge master has ensuite as well as sitting room. Main floor family room which walks out to Sanelli "in-ground pool". Truly the best buy on the market. Carol Sherkin, 226-9440.

$105,000
Leslie-Nymark
Beautiful back split. Hollywood kitchen, den plus family room with walkout to lovely garden. 3-4 bedrooms, central air, double garage. Anne Kirshenbaum, 226-9440.

Walk to Shul
New Listing!
4 bedroom executive, 2 storey home in the most prestigious Bathurst Manor location, inviting entrance hall with fine marble floors. Featuring: main floor powder room and fabulous library. Master bedroom has additional sitting room with built-ins. Richly finished basement. $185,000. Vendor will hold one open mortgage. Call Harvey Kalles, 226-9440.

Charming Townhouse
Vendor Must sell
$55,500. 3 bedroom, 3 bath, central air, family room with walkout to garden, close to all amenities. Call Anne Kirshenbaum, 226-9440.

Misty Cr.
Ultra Modern — Pool
$450,000. Marble floors, chrome, steel & white arborite kitchen, sunken conversation pit, spiral loft staircase from family room to upper level library, 4 bedrooms, all with ensuites. Quality materials & imaginative design throughout. Elise Kalles, 226-9440 or 449-1873.

York Mills Gardens
Rare Find
$159,000. Bi-level bungalow, dining room, family room, kitchen & master bedroom command a breath-taking view of garden. 4 walkouts, 3 fireplaces, abundance of closet & storage space throughout. Eva Cohen, 226-9440.

Bob White Cr.-Banbury Rd.
$279,500
This 5 bedroom contemporary home is filled with charm. Luxury & impeccable decor, the interior designed for owners who would notice & appreciate the most meticulous attention to design & quality. Call Honey Rose, 226-9440.

Forest Hill
Reduced! $259,000
Fabulous 2 storey, 5 bedroom home, open concept three level family room, addition incorporates glass and style for modern living and entertaining. Casual study on main, ultra kitchen plus breakfast room. Finished lower level. Call Lee Landsberg, 226-9440.

Bayview-Old Colony
Bungalow — $218,000
Situated on superb lot. This spacious 4 bedroom, one level ranch features: family room, den (3,600 ft. living space), exquisite decor and many extras. Michel Noar, 226-9440.

Park Lane Circle
Distinctive Contemporary
$1,300,000. Pride of architect builder's decorator and owner went into this fine custom built executive mansion with its carefully designed and complementary spaces. Indoor pool, star-size whirlpool full of astonishment. Elise Kalles, 226-9440.

Bayview South of York Mills
$232,000. No expense has been spared in the construction of this brand new 4 bedroom home. Magnificent living room with fireplace leading to extra large dining room with walkout to deck and pool sized lot. Main floor family room, exceptional master bedroom suite. Call Hillary Cohen, 226-9440.

Spectacular Indoor Pool
Ravine Lot
$359,000. A dream come true in this modern masterpiece. Featuring 4 bedrooms, sauna, teak kitchen overlooks family room, separate self-contained suite, 3 car garage. Call Eileen Cohen, 226-9440.

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Avenue Rd.-Eglinton
Solid brick 2 storey spacious duplex with double garage. Well treed area in a serene & respectable environment. All for just $94,900!! Call Joram Kalfa now!, 652-1400.

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Forest Hill Village
And Cedarvale

Lower Village
Very First "Choice" Offering
$229,000. Distinctive 3 storey stone front Tudor family home filled with quality and charm. 6 bedrooms, complete master suite. Most attractive family room with stone fireplace adjoining 24'x13' living room. Separate 17' dining room, "today's" kitchen with generous breakfast area. Interesting decor (dark, stained oak floors throughout, leaded windows, stained glass doors and windows). Exclusive with Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Lower Village
Old Forest Hill Road
$369,000. Quiet elegance and grace epitomize this Tudor stone 2 storey residence! Exquisite detailing: leaded windows, marble fireplaces, high ceilings, splendid entrance hall and library, both oak panelled! 6 bedrooms, featuring 28' master bedroom with ensuite! 3 car garage. Roz Bennett, 488-6666 or 483-3711.

Shallmar Blvd.
New on the Market
$179,900. "Top Quality" A-1 condition. "Centre hall" 4 bedroom family home. Master has ensuite. The kitchen is a knockout: fully applianced, added bonus double Jennair barbeque, solid oak panelling, attractive brick wall. "Old English" styling with every convenience — ground floor family & powder rooms, central air, double garage. Exclusive with Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Forest Hill
House Beautiful Decor
$155,000. In demand "centre hall" 3 bedroom 2 storey with the "today look", recently decorated with a distinct flair. Dazzling kitchen, generous eating area. Eye-catching white brick fireplace, dark stained floors and panelling throughout. Walk up from finished basement to a pool-sized lot. New heating, wiring, copper plumbing. Call or visit me there. Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Forest Ridge Drive
Quality Home with Pool!
$159,900. Temptingly attractive Georgian home has everything! Main floor complete with study & powder room opens to luxurious patio, landscaping & pool that is sized for "real swimmers"! 4 bedrooms, brand new baths, built by B.B. Kennedy & maintained by second time owners to near perfection. Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Briar Hill Ave.
East of Bathurst
Asking $159,900 for this very special family home in preferred east of Bathurst location. Airy and flowing lower level with eat-in kitchen and main floor powder room. Upper level with master ensuite and 3 other bedrooms. Flagstone patio, double garage. Holly Gibson, 488-6666 or 445-5847.

Upper Forest Hill Village
Prime Area
Close to Shaarei Shomayim — a centre hall family home in near perfect condition. 4 bedrooms and maid's quarters, main floor powder room, and panelled study are just some of the many fine features to be found in this lovely home. Ester Mecklinger, 488-6666 or 633-1311.

Central Cedarvale
Ideal Location
$164,900. Recent reduction definitely puts this at the top of our "best buy list". Picture a 23'x12' ground floor walnut family room, complete with elaborate built-in bar, plus walkout. Huge gourmet kitchen with every possible convenience, 4 or 5 bedrooms, guest powder room. Central air, finished recreation room, maid's quarters, pool lot. Delightful property. Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Upper Village
"Affordable at $104,900"
Newly decorated and shaded by a lovely old chestnut tree, this 3 bedroom, 2 storey is excellent value! Main floor powder room, master ensuite, finished basement, attached garage. Roz Bennett, 488-6666 or 483-3711.

Lonsdale House!
The "Only" 2 Bedroom
$79,900. We have sold all those lovely condominium suites & now have just "one" available for September occupancy! Fifth level, sunny southern exposure. About 1,200 sq. ft. Offers 2 full baths, "ultra" kitchen. Doorman, saunas, pool. Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

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Other New Listings

"One of a Kind"
On Otter Cres.
$154,900. "It's precious", "oodles of charm". 23'x13' living room has alabaster fireplace, separate 20'x12' dining room with marble fireplace. Master suite with adjoining full size tandem sitting room & new 5 piece bathroom. 2 other bedrooms, ground floor den. Lower level family lounge, parquet floors & wet bar. Exclusive with Florence Skelly, 488-6666 or 497-7918.

Caledon Area

Private Country Retreat!
In Albion Hills
New on the market! Enjoy the seclusion of this contemporary architecturally designed home on 5 wooded acres with panoramic views of the surrounding countryside! Living room has redwood beamed cathedral ceilings, quarry tile floor and brick fireplace! Gourmet pine kitchen, separate dining room for gracious entertaining. 4 bedrooms, 3 car garage. Asking $240,000. Helen Walker, 488-6666 or 278-2739.
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Paul Slavens
Real Estate Ltd. Realtor

Forest Hill — New Listing
$104,500. Excellent starter home, 3 bedrooms, king-sized master has wall-to-wall closets, spacious living room with open fireplace, 2 baths, pretty garden. Many extras including 4 new appliances. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337 or 881-7523.

Young Moderns — $112,500
Delightful 4 bedroom Forest Hill home. Smartly decorated, modern kitchen, powder room, finished lower level, pretty garden. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337 or 445-0923

Forest Hill Classic
$167,500. Custom built executive, priced to sell. This is not the ordinary 4 bedroom home. Centre hall, large formal living & dining rooms, fabulous gourmet kitchen plus panelled family room, main floor powder room, 4 excellent bedrooms, master with wall-to-wall built-ins & ensuite. Many expensive inclusions. To view is to appreciate. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337 or 881-7523.

Alexandra Wood
Prestigious home with Old World charm, 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, main floor den, music room, 3 working fireplaces, gorgeous garden. Call Dorothy Zeifman, 483-4337 or 789-9328.

Forest Hill — $169,000
The price is right, the home is unbelievable. 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, main floor family room, dream kitchen, outstanding garden & patio. Loads of inclusions. Don't miss seeing. Call Eleanor Stanton, 483-4337 or 445-0923.

Bungalow
Outstanding 3 bedroom centre hall, located near Alexandra Wood area. Pretty living room with open fireplace, large separate dining room, central air & more. Call Rose Caplan, 483-4337 or 783-3879.

North "R" — Ravine
Picturesque setting on a quiet crescent. 5 or 6 bedrooms, 4 baths, huge principal rooms, newly equipped kitchen, walkout to heated Florida room overlooking breathtaking pool-size lot. Superb family room plus rec room, walkouts, central air, double garage. Call Shirley Bassin, 483-4337 or 638-3339.

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North Bayview
5 bedroom executive home on oversized lot. Oak panelled library and separate family room on main floor, oak staircase and dark stained oak floors throughout. Formal 16' dining room, country style beam kitchen and 2 walkouts to 50' in-ground pool and unique landscaping. Finished basement. Numerous extras and early possession. Mr. Lifshen, 481-3443.

26 Sunnycrest Rd.
$127,500. 3 or 4 bdrm. split level, backs onto greenbelt, fabulous bright kitchen, 5 top appliances, built-ins, panelled bsmt., wet bar, dble. garage, owner leaving country!

Bathurst-Ellerslie
$133,900 — 2 Storey
4 or 5 bdrms., 4 baths, panelled den, panelled finished bsmt., wet bar, 2 walkouts to back yard, cent. air.

Thornhill Detached $94,500
Owner Must Sell!
3 or 4 bdrms., cul-de-sac, stunning decor, king-size master, 4 pc. ens., gourmet kitchen, walkout to cedar deck, beautifully finished, broadloomed bsmt., cent. air, dble. garage.
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Bathurst-Lawrence
$79,900. Lovely 3 bedroom bungalow, ultra modern kitchen and bathroom, central air, broadloom, drapes, appliances, finished basement apartment. Move right in. Helen Arbus, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Steeles
4 bedroom, 2 storey, main floor family room with open fireplace and walkout to patio, large bright kitchen, king size master with full bath ensuite, circular staircase, attached double garage. About 6 years new. Call Mr. Messinger, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Lawrence
Beautiful 3 bedroom bungalow, completely finished basement, 2 open fireplaces, lovely garden with fruit trees. Make an offer. Carl Kotick, 789-7138.

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Estate Sale
Blueforest Drive
Beautiful ranch bungalow on pool size lot. Ultra modern kitchen, king size master with 3-piece ensuite. Completely finished lower level includes wet bar and kitchen, attached double garage, central air, broadloom, drapes, appliances. Must be sold! Don't miss this one! Mrs. Solnik, 789-7138.

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Lower Forest Hill
172' Ravine Lot
Charming 9 room, 2 storey, 4 or 5 bedrooms, master with 3 piece ensuite, large kitchen, finished basement with walkout to garden, many expensive extras. Carl Kotick, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Wilson
Spacious 6 room bungalow, modern kitchen, king size master, beautifully finished basement, attached garage. Move in condition. Must be sold! Mrs. Solnik, 789-7138.

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Don Mills-Van Horne
Beautiful 3 bedroom semi end townhouse. Must be sold! Make an offer! Mr. Kotick, 789-7138.

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2 Stores Plus 3 Apartments
Eglinton-Spadina Expressway. First time offered! Garages. Mr. Bitton, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Steeles
Just listed! Beautiful detached 3 bedroom bungalow, gorgeous large Hollywood kitchen, king size master with ensuite, 2 other baths, completely finished 5 room basement with wet bar in kitchen. Attached double garage, broadloom, drapes, central air, near park, schools and all conveniences. Don't miss it! Mrs. Rybak, 789-7138.

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Bathurst-Finch-Steeles
BEAUTIFUL 7 & 8-room splits, modern kitchens, main floor family room with walkouts, finished basement, attached garage near synagogues. Priced to sell, 789-7138, Mrs. Mosten.

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Bathurst-Lawrence
Look Only $76,900!!!
Sparkling solid brick, 3 bedroom home. Garage, super large lot, broadloom, central air, drapes, appliances. Top condition, best price. Act fast. Nancy Avenue, 223-6800.

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Costain Thornhill
Vendor Transferred
4 months new, 4 bedrooms, family room with walkout plus fireplace, main floor laundry room, central air, central vacuum, double garage, paved drive, landscaping. Must sell. $98,000. Nancy Avenue, 223-6800.

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McNicol-Don Mills
Elegant 3-bdrm., 2-storey semi-detached home; 1½ baths, rosewood-finish bsmt.; fully broadloomed, 3 appliances, fantastic location on subway line, steps to Hillcrest public school. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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Bathurst-Eglinton
Just listed, $124,900. Executive 4-bdrm, 2-storey brick, centre hall, family den w. walkout, marble fireplace, charming home, fantastic location. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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Yonge-Cummer
$82,000. First mtge at 10%. Fantastic sidesplit. Solid brick detached 4-bdrm., family rm., fireplace, walkout to patio, completely finished lower level, 2 four-pce. baths, garage, quiet crescent. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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Laureleaf-Bayview
Prestige location, executive 4-bdrm. sidesplit, 3,000 sq. ft., library, family rm. w. walkout, 3 full baths, rec rm. Fireplace, wet bar, pool-size lot, central air, many extras. Asking $179,000. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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Thornhill Green
$98,500. 4-bdrm. detached 2-storey brick, 1½ baths, family den, Hollywood kitchen, professionally decorated, central air, 5 appliances. Many extras. 2-car garage, steps to schools & bus line. Sally Rosen, 223-6800.

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York Mills-Banbury
$179,900. Menkes Built, lovely 2 storey, 4 bedroom. Spacious living room, separate dining room, main floor family, fireplace, wet bar-walkout. Bright kitchen — breakfast room, 3 baths. Diane Allen, 449-2020.

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Bayview-York Mills
$229,000. Quality throughout! 4 bedrooms, main floor library, separate dining room, den, family room, 5th bedroom or hobby room. M. Young, 449-2020.

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St. Andrews — Bungalow
$137,900. Finished lower level including accommodation for live-in help or in-laws. Jill Hakes, 449-2020, 449-5583.

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Bayview Place
Executive Townhomes
$87,900-$112,500. Walk to the subway! Gorgeous 3-4 bedrooms, one backing on park, 2 fireplaces, 3 baths, appliances, central air, 10% mtge. available. Diane Allen, 449-2020.

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Bayview Village — Quiet Cres
$119,900. 6 room bungalow, 2 fireplaces, 3 baths. Owner has bought. M. Young, 449-2020.

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York Mills Collegiate
$119,900. 4-5 bedroom family home. Sunny eat-in kitchen, walkout to cedar deck, finished lower level plus 4 baths. Possession immediate, ultimate in value. Diane Allen, 449-2020.

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Hide-A-Way
1 Hour from Toronto
3 Miles to Newcastle Marina
$165,000. Some of everything on this 4 acre treasure. 4 gardens, hills and valleys, 490' frontage on Lake Ontario, historical log house and other buildings. To arrange viewing Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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$225,000 Duplex
Hidden Treasure
Tucked away in the Cottingham Poplar Plains area, this Gardiner-Cowan A-1 renovation has pad-like 1 bedroom main floor apartment plus no care garden. Enter through a private entrance to a 2 storey dwelling with 3 bedrooms, both covered and open patios, Roman bath, and more. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Rosedale Duplex — $249,000
Located on South Drive, this gracious duplex has a 2 bedroom, 2 bath, main floor and a 2 storey second floor which includes 4 bedrooms. Infinite possibilities for investment possible because of versatile offer for mortgaging arrangements from the vendor. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Of Light and Space
At St. Clair and Avenue Rd.
$187,500. Compact contemporary design, semi-detached 3 bedroom townhouses waiting to be luxury custom finished in your own style. Price includes 5 appliances and sauna. For private showing, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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$149,500 — Don't Judge
A Book By Its Cover
Pardon the Cliche
Bannatyne-Bayview. See this delightful interior though the outside needs minor paint repair. 4 bedrooms, super plan and luxurious extras. In-ground pool. See it!! Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Duplexes available for August 1 and a house August 15. Super renovation now in progress in central desirable locations. Rents at $1,000 per month with long term leases available. For further information, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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McGill — $164,500
Price reduced to sell! First class renovation with 5 bedrooms and generous living space in the heart of the city. Walk to theatre, concerts and restaurants and join the entrepreneurs of the city. Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Forest Hill
$750,000. Spectacular 6 bdrm. home on 2 floors. Home that combines all the old charm restored, and everything new and modern for the most discriminating taste. Immaculate with satin finish woods galore. For appointment, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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$167,500 — Bayview-Finch
5 Bedroom Beauty
Situated on quiet cul-de-sac, this backsplit has luxury family room, library, in a park-like setting. Ideally located for schools and synagogues. To view, call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Cozy Forest Hill Charmer
$209,000. Totally renovated and updated 4 bedroom set on a park-like lot. Main floor den and walkout to large deck. Immaculate move-in situation. Near schools, synagogues, transportation and shopping. Call Dorothy Gordon, 921-1116.

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Bathurst Help!
$129,900. Detached brick 2 storey 4 bdrm. executive home. Family rm, central air, 3 baths, 20' Las Vegas kitchen, gorgeous finished bsmt, 2 car garage, in-ground pool. M. Cohen, 224-2800.

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Bathurst Manor
$40,000 down. Prestige custom split level, 3 bdrms., bath ensuite, spacious family rm, rec rm plus wet bar, many extras. Phil Pinkus, 224-2800.

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Bathurst — $113,900
Exclusive. Just listed! 4 bdrm., backsplit near synagogues, large rm., giant family rm., plus w-o to huge yard. Hollywood kitchen, 2 rec rms, circular driveway. Many imported extras. Allen Rosen, 224-2800.

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Leslie-Cummer
$69,900. Fantastic semi, new kitchen, finished bsmt plus full bath and second kitchen, gorgeous landscaping. Owner forced to sell. Judi Routbard, 224-2800.

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Bathurst — Your Choice
$197,000-$275,000. Custom luxury homes split or 2 storey ravine lot, 5 baths, Hollywood kitchen, electronic 2 car garage, central air, underground sprinklers, sauna, w-o finished bsmt. Ahuva Benegbi, 224-2800 or 630-4852.

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Bayview — $145,900-$240,000
From York Mills to Steeles magnificent 2 storeys, 4 baths, family rms, fireplace, finished bsmt, central air, underground sprinklers. Owners leaving country. Must Sell! Ahuva Benegbi, 224-2800 or 630-4852.

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Bayview-Steeles
Offers Wanted!
Immaculate 2123 sq. ft. 2 storey, 4 bedrooms! Lowest priced in area! Master ensuite. Main floor family & laundry, finished rec. room, broadloom. Move-in condition! Asking $126,900. (Anxious vendor — I don't know what he'll take — see it and make an offer!). Located south of Steeles, must sell!

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Bayview-Romfield
Asking $87,500. Detached 3 bedroom (ensuite) bungalow on 55' lot. Beautiful condition, move right in! Central air, broadloom, large well equipped kitchen, rec room & 2 extra rooms in basement. Close to plaza & schools & TTC. Has to sell! Call now!

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Fairview Mall — $49,900
$5,000 less than others! Vendor really wants to sell! Solid built townhome, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, garage, 4 appliances, finished rec room with walkout. Backing out onto open park area! Excellent value!

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Thornhill
Beautiful Backsplit!
Absolutely stunning! Large living and dining room overlooking family room with fireplace and walkout to patio. 3 bedrooms including ensuite & 4th bedroom or den, 3 baths, central air. Asking $115,900! But "open to offers"!

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Brand New!
Thornhill — Ravine Lots!
2 storey, 4 bedroom homes, all brick to the roof, central air, vacuum system, intercom, ceramic tiles, ensuites, you name it! Super 60' lots on ravine! Follow open house signs on weekends in Costain development; Bayview north of John on Willowbrook Rd. Only $124,900. (2 left on regular large pie-shaped lots at $116,900.)

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Just Listed!
Don Mills—North of McNicoll
"Pinehill". Immaculate 2 storey link only $81,900! Huge 20' living room with fireplace and walkout to large landscaped deep garden. 18' kitchen, it's beautiful! King-size ensuite. No, it does not back on the cemetery nor Don Mills! It's a lovely home. October possession.

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Call me personally for information on any of the above homes! Bob Allison, 881-5940, res. 889-8661.
P.S. want to sell for us? Call me! We're on Bayview in the centre of Thornhill. There's a lot of action around here.

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Best Buy in Thornhill!
$56,900 asking. Spacious, large townhome in prestige Royal Orchard, Bayview location. Large eat-in kitchen with walkout to private well shrubbed garden and gas BBQ. 3 bedrooms, finished lower level. Priced to sell below the competition! Call Jean Vanderveer, 881-5940, res. 881-2830.

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Bathurst & Wilson
Just 7 homes left. $49,900. $6,000 down, new luxury 3 bdrm., condominium apts., wall-to-wall carpets, 2 baths, central air conditioning, appliances. Call Mr. Morgenstern, 652-1111.

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Reduced to Sell
Bathurst North of Finch
Looking for a nice bungalow? This is it. Beautiful, well kept 6 room 3 bdrm. home, attached garage on quiet cres., walking distance to synagogues, shopping & TTC. Call Mr. Jeff Rosen, 652-1111.

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Sheppard & Wilmington
Reduced $9,000. Priced to sell, beautiful clean 3 bdrm. bungalow, finished basement with kitchen, central air conditioning, broadloom throughout, drapes, built-in stove, attached garage, many extras. $30,000 down, 1 mtge. for balance. Call Mr. Charney, 652-1111.

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Beaver Valley & Wilmington
Back-split immaculate, 4 bdrms., central air conditioning, remodelled kitchen, built-in stove & fridge, double garage, $50,000 down, in excellent condition. Call Mr. Charney, 652-1111.

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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Sarah Rusonik** will take place on Sunday, June 18, 1978, 11:30 a.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Adath Shalom section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 16

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Leon [Leizer] Kimelman**, husband of Anna, father of Ruth Gropper, grandfather of Myra, Bernie and Pearl, beloved brother will take place on Sunday, June 25, 1978, 11 a.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park (Wilson Ave.). Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 23

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Samuel Spiegelman** will take place on Sunday, June 18, 1978, 12:30 p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park (Wilson Ave.), Shaarei Shomayim section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 16

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Harry Skopitz**, cherished husband of Lillian, dear father of Marcia — Mrs. E. Noble of Brantford, Karen — Mrs. M. Donin, brother of Betty Stearn, Dorothy Goldberg of Detroit and Oscar and grandfather of 6, will take place on Sunday, June 18, 1978, 1 p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park (Wilson Ave.), Shaarei Shomayim section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 16

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Anne Graner** will take place on Sunday, June 18, 1978, 2 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Memorial Park. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 16

The family of the late **Frances Skuy** announces the unveiling of a monument in her memory on Sunday, June 25, 1978, 11 a.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Adath Israel section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 16

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Sunday, June 25, 1978 at 12 noon
at The Beth Tzedec Memorial Park. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Interim report expected

AMSTERDAM [JTA] — A government appointed commission investigating official policy between 1945-1976 with respect to the prosecution of convicted Nazi war criminal Pieter Menten will publish an interim report before the end of this month.

The decision to release an interim report was occasioned by the Dutch Supreme Court's ruling setting aside Menten's conviction by an Amsterdam district court and ordering a new trial for the millionaire art dealer. He had been sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment.

Menten's crimes included complicity in the murders of Jews and others when he served as an SS officer in the Lemberg region of Poland during World War II.

He was not brought to justice until the summer of 1976, after a Dutch journalist published an expose of his deeds on the basis of information obtained from Israeli sources.

This led to the belief that Menten enjoyed protection in very high circles in the immediate post-war period.

Sales knocked

LONDON [JTA] — Israeli Minister of Agriculture Ariel Sharon has accused the United States of being the main arms supplier to the Arab states and said Israel did not take seriously pledges by the Arabs that the American arms would not be used against Israel.

Sharon, the most outspoken 'hawk' in the Israeli cabinet, said his government intended to rally its supporters throughout the world to protest growing arms sales by Western powers to the Middle East.

Postal strike is over

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Israeli postal workers have ended a three day strike after Minister of Transport and Communications Meir Amit threatened to permit private companies to take over mail services.

The strike paralyzed mail deliveries and also affected telephone and other electronic communications.

The employees agreed to a proposal by the chief labor court judge to allow an independent expert study their wage claims. They are demanding a 40% increase in accordance with an agreement worked out by Likud MK Meir Cohen who had been assigned to arbitrate the dispute.

But Cohen's decision was vaguely worded and confused the postal employees. It proposed that the increase be given only to "postal workers whose duties are identical to those carried out by the Civil Aviation Authority."

No logical link between the two services was discernable. Attorney-General Aharon Barak subsequently removed Cohen as arbitrator.

'Never again'

Providence, R.I. [JTA] — An estimated 800 Rhode Island Christians and Jews have pledged that the Holocaust will never happen again and that "Jews shall never again stand alone."

They were participants in a program entitled "An Expression of Christian-Jewish Solidarity: Remembering the Holocaust," held in the rotunda of the Rhode Island State House.

Organizations and People

Students of grade five at the Associated Hebrew Schools hold baskets of fruit and wear floral hats in celebration of Shavuot, the feast of weeks. The students are (from left to right) Leah Daniels, Aviva Korman, Elisa Freedman, Elyse Adams, Elysa Shiffman and Janice Feldberg.

'Y' gymnasts capture medals

By SANDY GALET

TORONTO —

The 'Y' Springers is one of Toronto's newest and most successful gymnastic clubs. Housed in the YM-YWHA on Bathurst Street, the three-year-old club has already entered members on every level from the recreational to the OGF (Ontario Gymnastic Federation) competitions. The results, so far, have been outstanding.

Nearly every girl entered this year walked away with a ribbon while three — Lisa Sniderman, Rachel Wochenmarkt and Karen Liebesman — captured first place gold medals.

But the greatest leap to gymnastic fame was by the Springer boys. Eighteen-year-old David Jonah won the silver medal in the Junior Two level of the Ontario Provincial Competition last month in Kitchener, while 11-year-old Norman Brownstein took the gold medal in the Boys Level Three. Norman's father is Paul Brownstein, YMHA athletic director.

How did the club get started? In its 'Sport School, the 'Y' had been operating a popular gymnastic program. Several of the children had progressed as far as possible within the course and were eager to compete against other advanced gymnasts.

Toby Wochenmarkt was one of the youngsters ready for serious training. It was her mother, Esther, who almost single handedly brought the dream to reality. Mrs. Wochenmarkt's other daughters, Sara and Rachel, were also involved in gymnastics at the 'Y' so for her, it was nearly a way of life. She organized the parents and coaching staff to produce a club, which this year numbers 75 children.

Coaching is all important to a young club, where creating and instructing go hand in hand. This year, the coaching staff specialized in the various events — parallel bars, beam, vault and floor.

Sara Wochenmarkt has worked her way up from a volunteer 'Y' Sport School coach to become a professional. Paula Gluck, specializing in choreography and the dance, is responsible for creating and teaching the girls their floor routines. These include acrobatics, tumbling and ballet movements.

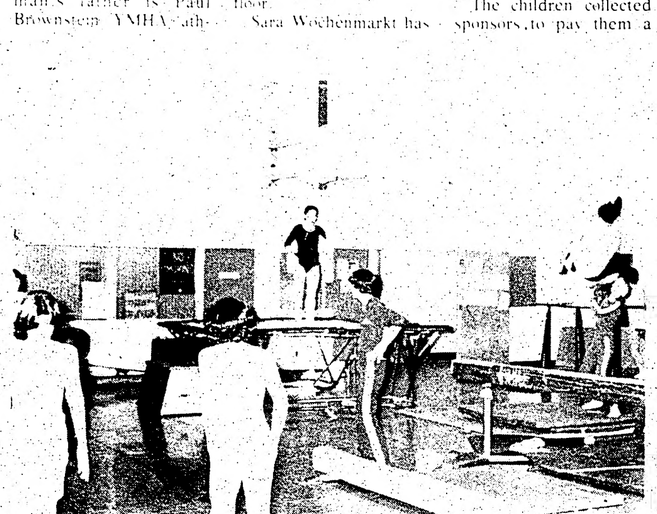
Israeli-born Jerry Rosen stressed self-reliance and team spirit in his coaching. The boys had their own coach, Thornhill high school teacher Gary Legault.

The coaches used as their advisor Eugene Galperin, a past coach of the USSR national team.

Gymnasts and coaches aside, a gymnastic club requires equipment. How do they raise the funds to purchase beams, bars, mats and everything else necessary when the gymnasts are not catapulting through the air. The creative solution to this problem is a gymathon.

The children collected sponsors to pay them a certain amount for each gymnastic feat they performed, thus using their skills to achieve their own goals. Mrs. Wochenmarkt, the club's treasurer, reports that in two gymathons, so far, nearly $6,000 has been raised.

The 'Y' Springers is still a young club, growing literally by leaps and bounds. Hopes are high to produce members for the first gymnastic team from Canada to participate in the Maccabiah Games in 1981 in Israel.



The 'Y' Springers work out in the YM-YWHA on Bathurst St. The three-year-old gymnastics club is one of Toronto's newest and most successful. Participants have achieved outstanding results and hopes are high to produce members for the first gymnastic team from Canada to take part in the next Maccabiah games in Israel.

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